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Chinese Hold Along Lunghai Railway

HOPE TO DELIVER HARD BLOW TO ENEMY REAR

(Special to "Telegraph")

Tungshanku, Apr. 26.

In the most ambitious Chinese attack since the commencement of the war, General Sun Lien-chung, who lost Niantsekwang but was the hero of the Taierchwang victory, and who once was a divisional commander under General Feng Yu-hsiang, has slammed all his strength up the Taichow Railway and advanced to the little village of Sanmicheng yesterday.

Despite their inferior artillery, the Chinese laid down a heavy barrage. The flash of the guns stabbed cruelly, and the countryside rocked crazily, the hills re-echoing as though to the beat of some monstrous wild man's drum in a gigantic cave.

The chief obstacle to this drive, which is still continuing, is a semi-circle of hills on which the Japanese are clinging behind small stone towers.

Meanwhile, however, the Japanese have chased a badly chewed force from Tancheng to Peishien, 15 miles above the Lunghai railway, and are evidently intending to drive for Hsichow. But while Chinese units are holding above the Lunghai line, others are expected to attack the Japanese rear.

The present battle is to make or break. It is the wildest jambooree ever seen in China. The staff work is confined to positional jockeying, to massing of troops at weak points, an important factor from the Chinese point of view, for they must nullify the effect of Japan's superior weapons.

Reinforcements Pouring Into Front Line

Chinese reinforcements are being rushed to Shantung from every side. From Yunnan and Shensi they have come by train and they march into the battle line as fast as their commanders can move them. They go into action as soon as they arrive. The battle front has reached the proportions of the Shanghai "war" and is perhaps likely bigger.

The Chinese are suffering from their inferior artillery equipment. The Japanese guns are capable of a range of 10,000 metres, as I witnessed for myself last night when the Japanese fired on Chinese trucks and then laid down a creeping barrage which blasted its way to within 200 yards of where I was standing with staff officers.

The Chinese villages are habitations of horror, for the incendiary shells ignite the huts and woe to the man who lies wounded there.—United Press.

Japanese Claim Advance Continues

Peiping, Apr. 26.

A Japanese spokesman said last night that Japanese troops continued to pursue the fleeing Chinese south of Tancheng, following the capture of the town yesterday.

The spokesman said he was still prohibited from announcing specific developments in the Shantung drive.

He said that approximately 1,700 Chinese troops attacked the Japanese at Chienkung, about 25 miles east of Peiping, in southwestern Shansi last night. The Chinese were defeated after a day-long battle. They retreated to Peiping.—United Press.

Henlein's Words Worry France

Paris, Apr. 25.
The demands made by Herr Konrad Henlein, leader of the Sudeten Deutsche Party in Czechoslovakia, have caused anxiety to the Paris press, many newspapers expressing the fear that Germany might support the demands with a show of force.—Reuter Bulletin.

BRITISH SAILOR KILLED

Three Others Hurt In Valencia Raid

Valencia, April 25.
One British sailor was killed and three others injured during an air raid by three insurgent planes on Valencia this morning. Altogether 20 people were killed and 100 injured.

The dead sailor was a member of the crew of the British steamer Stan Lake, which was lying in harbour alongside the British steamer, Celtic Star, three of whose crew were injured.—Reuter.

NON-INTERVENTION WORK TO CONTINUE

London, Apr. 25.
As a result of Britain, Germany and Italy agreeing to resume their contributions, which were suspended in consequence of the Soviet refusal in October last to continue its contributions, it is announced that the work of the Non-Intervention Board would continue without Soviet contribution.—United Press.

LOYALIST FORCES RALLIED

Meeting Insurgent Pressure With New Confidence

London, April 26.

Although despatches from the insurgent headquarters at Saragossa claim that with the improvement in the weather General Francisco Franco's troops are continuing to advance northeast from Teruel and along the Mediterranean coast from Castellon de la Plana, the Loyalists are now stated to have recovered from their recent collapse. They claim to be holding the insurgents everywhere.

The Loyalist positions on the eastern front, along the Ebro and Segre and other rivers, and in the mountains, are said to be occupied by spirited troops under confident commanders, who are pressing forward with the work of re-organisation and fortification. In some cases they are throwing up defence works miles from the front to ensure against further surprises.

Behind the Loyalist lines confidence is reviving, despite Barcelona's completely darkened streets, due to the insurgents' capture of the Tremp power station and the shutting off of this source of supply.—Reuter.

HEADQUARTERS MOVED

Madrid, Apr. 26.
The headquarters of the International Brigade at Albacete was dissolved yesterday. The headquarters had been stationed at Albacete since 1936. All recruits undergoing training at this town and the entire technical and administrative staff left Albacete for a destination not revealed.

The dissolution of the headquarters of the Brigades was obviously due to the changed situation which has arisen after splitting of Red Spain by the insurgent forces. The increasing tension is also felt in Madrid where a civil governor has been appointed and who takes most drastic measures to maintain the morale among the population.

Thus on Monday 30 persons were arrested in Madrid "for an attitude hostile to the State" and 50 persons "for undermining the population's will to resistance."

All arrested persons will be tried by the peoples' tribunal.—Transocean.

Air Mission Reticent On British Plans

Studying Types And Numbers Of U.S. Planes Available

New York, Apr. 25.
The British Air Mission, which is seeking to effect a deal for the purchase of fighting planes from the United States and Canada, arrived in New York today, and is flying to Washington this afternoon.

One member of the Mission stated that it would probably be staying in the United States for some time, after which it was proceeding to Canada.—Reuter Bulletin.

THOROUGH CANVASS TO BE MADE

New York, Apr. 25.
After the arrival of the British Air Mission, Air Commodore J. G. Weir, one of the members of the Mission, stated that it will make a thorough canvass of United States aircraft factories to determine how many planes and what types of fighting craft could be obtained.

"We have come to look around, but I suppose if purchases are going to be made, our view of the situation will be given weight," he said.

Mr. Weir was reticent with regard to further plans of the Mission. He said he could not say at present what type, or how many planes Britain will buy from the United States, or how much Britain was prepared to pay.—(Continued on Page 4.)

REST BETWEEN BATTLES



In a brief lull on the Shantung fighting front, these veterans of the Chinese army take a little rest among the shell-torn ruins of a village near Yih-sien, scene of severest fighting recently. Note the young trumpeter in right foreground.

VIRTUAL MILITARY ALLIANCE-BETWEEN BRITAIN, FRANCE

Paris, Apr. 25.

The Cabinet has approved of proposals of thorough collaboration with Britain in foreign policy, and the establishment of "shoulder to shoulder" military policies, submitted by M. Edouard Daladier, the Premier.

These policies include the co-ordination of the French and British armed forces through Staff conversations, virtually approaching a military alliance.

M. Daladier outlined hopes to co-ordinate the French and British rearmament policies, especially in aviation, including the purchase of American planes.

The French have favoured formally organising the purchases under a buying board representing Britain and France. Earlier in the day the French Cabinet adopted an eight-point recovery programme.—United Press.

Wars Cause Slump In Sugar Sales

London, Apr. 25.
It is reported that the effects of war in China and Spain on the world sugar market will influence the discussions at Wednesday's meeting of the International Sugar Council, which will be attended by the representatives of 21 governments.

It is estimated that the Oriental conflict has reduced the Oriental market to 200,000 metric tons, while the Spanish war has reduced the European market by approximately 30,000 metric tons of sugar.—United Press.

M.C.I. MEETS TO-MORROW

The annual meeting of the Ministering Children's League will be held in the Helena May Institute at 10.30 a.m. to-morrow.

High Soviet Official Also Seized

Moscow, Apr. 25.
The chief of the Red Construction Department of the Moscow Committee of the Soviet Union, has been arrested and charged with systematic abuse of power and embezzlement of funds.—United Press.

Hore-Belisha Ends Big Tour Of Inspection

London, Apr. 25.
Mr. Leslie Hore Belisha, Minister for War, arrived in London from Paris this morning. He is reporting to the Cabinet on his tour of inspection of the defence of Malta, his recent visit to Rome, and his conversations with the Premier and Chief of Staff in France.—Reuter Bulletin.

BIG TASK FOR HERR BUERCKEL

Year To Accomplish Re-Organisation Of Austria

Berlin, April 25.
Herr Josef Buerckel, former Reich Commissioner for the Saar, has been appointed Reich Commissioner for Austria's union with Germany by a decree issued by Herr Adolf Hitler.

Herr Buerckel's task will be to accomplish within one year the political organisation of Austria, as well as its economic and cultural union with the Reich.

Herr Hitler informed Dr. Seyss-Inquart that after the introduction of German legislation in Austria, he will be made a member of the Reich Cabinet for Austrian affairs.—Reuter Special.

DAGRELLE'S FINE RESCINDED

Brussels, Apr. 26.
M. Leon Dagrelle, the leader of the Belgian Rexist movement, has won his protest against a Brussels law court verdict which had ordered him to pay a fine of 25,000 francs for an alleged libel against the leader of the Belgian Catholics, M. J. Van Cauwenberghe.—United Press.

ERA OF FRIENDSHIP PROMISED BY CLOSE ECONOMIC HARMONY

Irish Circles Welcome Agreement As Step To Even Wider Accord

London, Apr. 25.

The Anglo-Irish Agreement shows that a complete financial settlement has been reached. It provides for the transfer to Eire of the coast defence stations which the United Kingdom is unconditionally evacuating. Eire is to pay £10,000,000 to the United Kingdom by November 30 as a final settlement of all financial claims of either Government against the other.

Eire will continue to make an annual payment of £250,000 in respect to damage to property under the agreement of December, 1925.

All British penal duties against Eire, and the corresponding duties imposed by Eire on the United Kingdom are abolished. In effect it is the complete termination of the financial and economic disputes between the two countries.

Need Chinese For A.R.P. Instruction

Apparently with a view to bringing home to the Chinese the dangers of attacks from the air, the Air Raid Precautions Department of the Hongkong Government is inviting applications for a vacancy for a Chinese Anti-Gas Instructor.

The Government is advertising for applications, which should be addressed to the Air Raid Precautions Officer, in care of the Colonial Secretariat, and accompanied by full particulars of qualifications and copies of testimonials.

Applicants should not be over 35 years of age, should be educated up to Matriculation standard, and possess a good knowledge of English and the ability to impart technical instructions in Chinese.

Agreement Lasts Three Years

Special consideration will be given to Eire industries, not fully established. Undoubtedly there will be heavy reduction of tariffs on United Kingdom goods, and the United Kingdom Government can ask the Eire Government to request the Prices Commission to give priority to any duty, and British manufacturers can argue before the Commission.

The existing preference margins for United Kingdom goods are preserved. The trade agreement will last three years, after which it will be subject to six months notice on either side. The agreement is subject to the confirmation of both Parliaments. (Continued on Page 5.)

STOP PRESS

H.K. JUNK SET ON FIRE BY JAPANESE; 16 FEARED DEAD

Sixteen Chinese members of a Hongkong junk, including the five-year-old son and three-year-old daughter of the owner, Leung Kai, are feared dead as the result of an outrage allegedly perpetrated by Japanese blockaders near Hongkong waters on April 20 at 8 a.m. Leung Kai, master of the vessel, is believed to be the only survivor. He was picked up by another junk, after floating, tied to a spar, for over 30 hours. Leung was in a semi-conscious condition then. In a report to the police, Leung, who is now in hospital, suffering from shock and exposure, stated that his ship was boarded by Japanese. (Further news from Japan on page 4.)

BOYCOTT OF JEWS CONTINUES

Students Driven From University

Vienna, April 26.
The Storm Troops who were posted outside Jewish shops in the centre of Vienna have now been withdrawn, but the boycott of the many Jewish cafés continues. Only non-Aryans are allowed to enter.

Storm Troops have entered Vienna University and forced all Jewish students to leave.

A decree is announced limiting the percentage of Jewish students in Austrian universities to two.

To-day the schilling officially ceases to be the currency of Austria.—Reuter.

GENERAL DAWES OPERATED ON

New York, Apr. 26.
General Charles Dawes, originator of the Dawes-Repairations Plan, has been operated on for acute appendicitis.—Reuter Bulletin.

FROCKS with the GOLDEN TOUCH



★ PAUL ROY. Decorates a black afternoon frock with multi-coloured embroidery. On the centre figure, you see a LANVIN model with gold scrolls. WORTH puts larkspur blue down the sleeves on a pastel blue dress.

IF you would know the secrets of style in outdoor clothes, then London is your hunting ground. But for that subtle something which gives charm and femininity to afternoon frocks and house dresses—then Paris should be your Mecca.

The great dressmakers there are still past-masters in the art of putting glamour and individuality into the simplest of frocks.

★ This season, for example, she is using gold sparingly, but with a glittering effect. Embroideries, sequins, tiny crystal beads worked in the form of scrolls, edgings and butterflies give gaiety and life to an otherwise plain frock.

Paris realises that gold used alone on a dark colour can give a heavy "uniform" look, so she adds touches of bright threads in scarlet, green or royal blue.

★ Sketched on this page are the four afternoon frocks I liked best at the big Paris houses. As you see, each one has the new short skirt, and is simple in outline, the only extravagance being the embroidery.

Boleros are young looking and the black crepe frock has a circular yoke of multi-coloured embroidery, the tiny collar and sash being in orchid pink.

Motifs of gold beads in varying sizes down the sleeves is another idea, while Worth outlines the shoulders and sleeves of a pastel

blue frock with dark blue embroideries. Both these styles give length to the arms.

You will find, too, that when pleats or fullness are shown in the skirt, only fine embroidery on a diminutive scale is used, otherwise the effect would be overdone.

Self coloured frocks with trimmings of this kind afford a pleasant change to the many printed materials being worn.

In my round of the shops I notice that this fashion is expressed in sequin butterflies and differently shaped motifs quite inexpensively priced, as well as motifs of brightly coloured sequins with gold beads forming the outer border. A flower shaped trimming in the form of a brooch is a pretty ornament for the shoulder or hair.

Of course, it is not only on crepe frocks you find these gay trimmings, but neat little tailored wool dresses have their own embroideries carried out in brightly coloured wools.

★ Edgings of this kind take the form of tiny flowers, or are twisted into scrolls or vandyked designs to give variety.

Many find grey a difficult colour to wear. This shade is being used considerably this spring. It is rather hard early in the day, but decked up with cross stitch or a few flowers embroidered in scarlet and grass green has a very colourful effect.

M. G.

PARIS- ADVISES SEQUINS AND EMBROIDERIES

★ PAUL ROY.—Takes the gloom off a black frock with the clever use of multi-coloured pearls sewn on the shoulders to form the gleaming embroidery.

BUTTON HINTS

WHEN sewing on buttons that are meant to be decorative, it gives a professional touch if you use thread that matches the material—not the buttons.

Remember, when sewing four-hole buttons on clothing, to sew through only two holes separately first, then fasten off; then sew through the other two holes. The buttons will be much firmer, and should one give way the other will hold.

It is a good plan when sewing on coat buttons to sew them over a darning needle, then pull out the needle. The buttons sewn on in this way will be more easy to fasten, and though they appear looser than if sewn in the ordinary manner, they will not pull off nearly so easily.

Before covering wooden moulds for buttons, the moulds should be boiled in strong soda water for ten minutes, rinsed in cold water, and left to dry. The boiling process prevents the wood from staining the material when the dress is washed.

When using double thread for sewing on buttons, you will have no trouble with tangled cotton if you knot each end separately after threading, instead of knotting the ends together.

When putting a large button on thin material, it is advisable to give extra strength to the fabric by using a backing button. This should be a small one, but if a large button has four holes the small one should have the same number.

Sew on the large button with a few threads, and then join in the smaller one on the wrong side.

WHEN BABY GETS A COLD

By Grace Wilson

AN ordinary cold can be a source of positive danger to a baby, so here are a few words of advice to mothers.

Keep young children away from those who already have colds, or from crowded places where influenza and colds are rife.

If affected herself the mother should wear a crepe bandage, with a little cotton wool under it, round her nose and mouth while attending to the child.

A baby who is muffled up round the chest with insufficient protection initial stages.

about the lower parts of the body, or a child who has a deficiency of vitamins or mineral salts in the diet, and is overfed on starches and sugars is readily susceptible to cold.

★ SIMILARLY, fogs, a tobacco-laden atmosphere and the steam from wet clothes in a room where baby is playing will all render the lung tissue irritable and susceptible to catarrhal infection.

In mild cases, young children may recover overnight if put into a hot bath with a dash of mustard to it, given a mild aperient, if necessary, and tucked up for a good sleep in a warm bed in an airy room.

If the cold develops they should be kept on a fluid diet during the

Tasty Ways With Veal

THERE are many succulent dishes in which veal plays an important part.

To make a delicious veal casserole, cut two pounds of veal in small pieces. Wash, prepare and dice one onion, one turnip, one carrot, and a little celery. Put all into a casserole and add one ounce of pearl barley. Add a quart of water, finely chopped parsley, and seasoning to taste. Simmer gently for three hours and serve with toast.

Here is a thick veal soup:—Cover with water and boil separately a knuckle of veal and three pounds of tripe. This will take about three hours. Then skim off the fat and add the liquors together in a pot. Cut the tripe into small pieces and do the same with the veal; add to the liquor, with three large potatoes and two onions. Thicken the soup when boiling with a little flour. Season to taste and also add a little thyme.

Veal mould is especially good:—Mince sufficient veal for your needs (the veal must of course be cooked first), weigh it, and add half the weight in fresh bread crumbs and two beaten eggs to every pound of meat.

Season well with pepper, salt, and chopped onion and parsley. Mix together and moisten with a little stock. Form into a roll with the hand, and flour to prevent sticking. Tie up in a pudding cloth and steam for one hour. Press between plates with a weight on top until cold. Remove the cloth the next day and slice. Serve in slices with a piece of bacon or ham and salad.

This is the way to prepare veal steak:—Peel half a pound of mushrooms, and when you have removed the stalks, place a little parsley butter in each. Then cover with greased paper. Sprinkle lemon juice over the veal, and season to taste.

Place in a casserole with two slices bacon, and put the mushrooms on top. Cover dish with a lid and put in the oven for three-quarters of an hour.

N. M.

Hints For The Housewife

SHORT tacks are difficult to fix in corners, but if they are forced through a small strip of paper, which is held instead of the tack, they can be easily hammered down without bruising the fingers. If a new broom is soaked in hot water in which a handful of salt has been thrown it will toughen the bristles, and so make them wear longer.

Thin pieces of felt or cork, firmly glued to the legs of chairs, will save many scratches on the floor, besides ensuring quietness.

When filling a hot water bottle lay it flat on a table, hold up the neck of the bottle only, and slowly fill it in this position, for then there will be no risk of water spilling out.

Paint your picture cords in each room the same colour as the distemper, for then they will not be so noticeable.

Odd pieces of linoleum make an excellent covering for shelves, as they only need wiping occasionally with a damp cloth. Tiny scraps of linoleum left over can be rolled up in paper, and used instead of wood when lighting the fire.

Linseed oil is excellent for renovating shabby leather chairs. After the oil has thoroughly soaked into the leather, polish in the usual way.

To prevent labels coming off bottles, especially those containing poison, paint them with shellac varnish sufficient to come over their sides on to the bottle.

A short length of hose pipe kept coiled beneath the kitchen sink is most useful for filling baths and buckets on table or floor, as it saves lifting them out of the sink.

Tight fitting drawers can be made to run easily by rubbing the sides and edges with wax polish, or a blacklead pencil in the case of small drawers.

To clean a pearl necklace bury it in powdered magnesia for twelve hours, then shake it gently and wipe off the powder.

IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT FEVER

The reason why your stomach rejects solid foods when you have fever is because your wasted body tissues are crying out for moisture. This makes you desperately thirsty.

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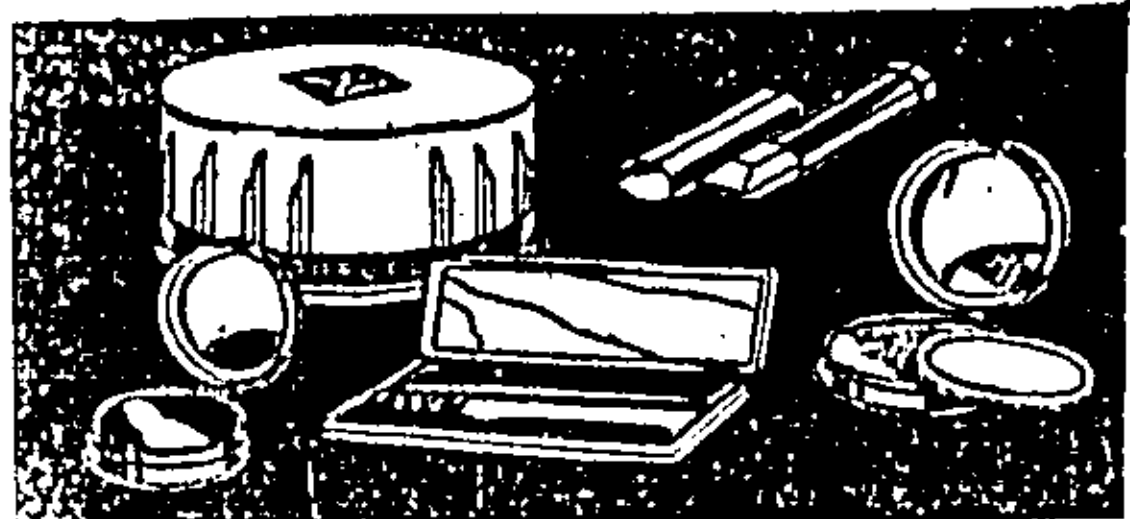
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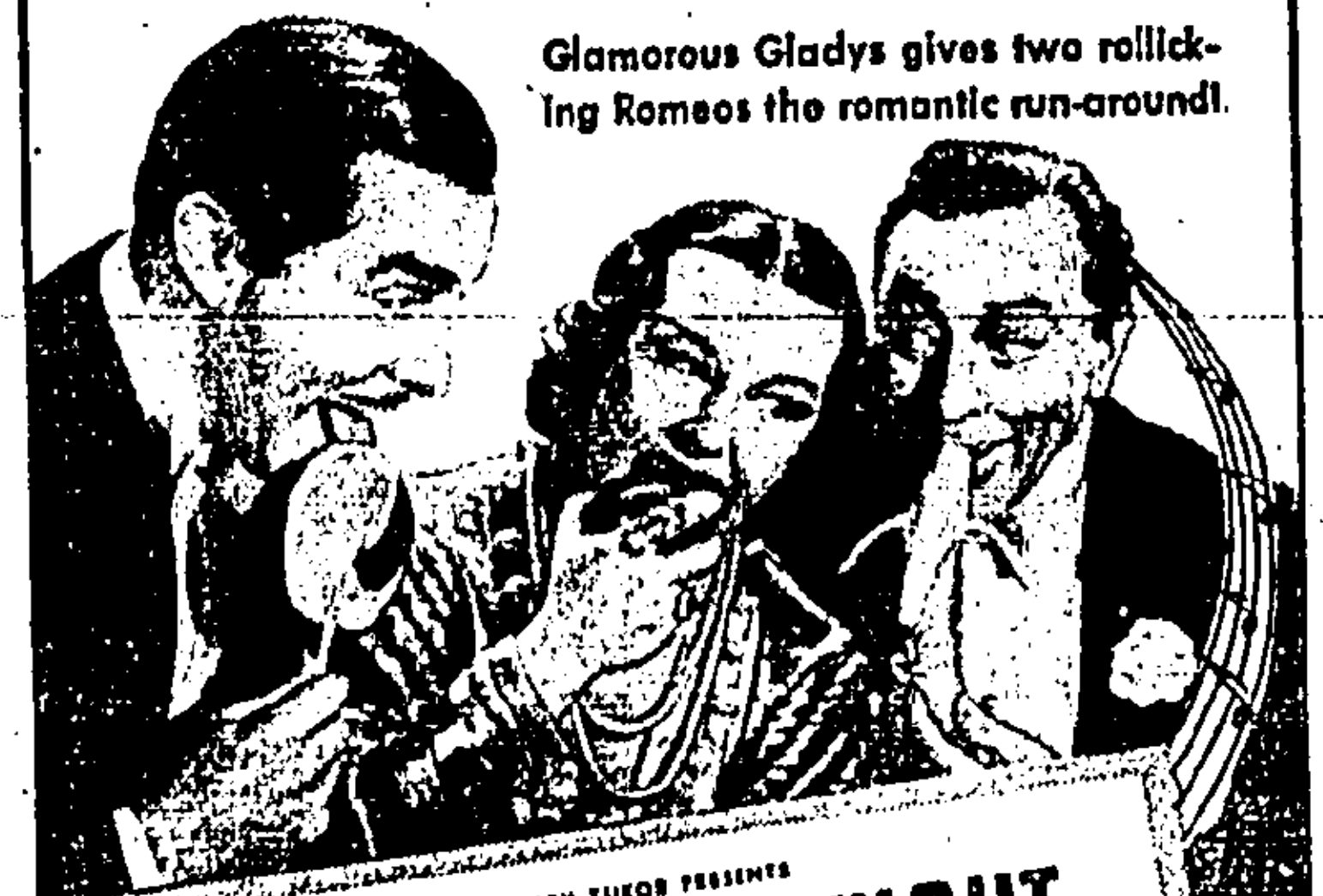
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BOMBARDER, TWO WEEKS OLD BABY, IS "DOING WELL"

By Jack Beldon

United Press Staff Correspondent.

CHENGCHOW, APR. 29. BOMBARDER, A NEWLY BORN CHINESE TWIN BABY, IS DOING WELL IN SPITE OF THE CLATTER OF EXPLODING SHELLS AND THE DRUMMING OF AIRPLANES AROUND THE WAR-SCARRED MISSION HOSPITAL HERE.

Dr. Sanford E. Ayers, an American physician directing the hospital staff, delivered the baby in delayed birth recently, during a raid of Japanese airplanes, and named the child Bombarider.

"Bombarider is my best war baby," the physician told me, proudly exhibiting the infant, who was bawling lustily. Bombarider's mother had given birth to the first of the twins the previous day at her home, and was brought to the hospital.

STREAMLINE POTATOES

PLANTS are now being streamlined. As a result finer fruits, vegetables and more beautiful flowers are being produced.

Explaining these experiments, an official of the Agricultural Research Council told a London press representative:—

"The shape of many vegetables has been altered during recent years for the sake of beauty or to fit modern needs."

"For instance, a new cucumber is being grown that is uniformly eight inches long to suit the needs of shippers."

"EYES" ARE GONE
"To fit modern refrigerators smaller varieties of water-melons are being produced."

Canners and seedsmen now employ breeding experts to maintain uniformity in crops. A few outcast peas in a cunning variety may affect the price of an entire delivery. Streamlined potatoes have eliminated the deep "eyes" that cause such waste of time and material in peeling.

Gaol For Fraud On Publishers

A man who was said to have typed out stories extracted from magazines and sold them to the publishers as his own work was sent to prison at East Ham.

Arthur Percival Alfred Twinn, also known as Gordon Carroll, 21, salesman, of Shrewsbury-road, East Ham, pleaded guilty to charges of obtaining by false pretences from D. C. Thomson and Co. Ltd., and C. Arthur Pearson Ltd., two sums of £15 and one of £12 10s., and attempting to obtain £12 10s.

He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on each count, the sentences to run concurrently.

Mr. Donald McIntyre, prosecuting, said that Twinn extracted from magazines published by the prosecution stories which he typed out. He sometimes altered the title of the stories and always altered the actual names of the characters. He then sent the stories to the publishers.

Thomson and Co., said Mr. McIntyre, found that story "She Ran the Risk and Paid the Price," sold to them by Twinn, was identical with a story entitled "Behind Her Smile the Danger Lurked," which appeared in a magazine in 1936.

"SENT FROM NEW YORK"
Twinn, when asked for an explanation, stated that a Miss Jean Burnett, of New York, sent to his literary agency a manuscript entitled "Hidden Gull."

He revised and retitled the story, and when it was accepted he signed for it on behalf of Miss Burnett and sent the money, less his commission, to her.

The manuscript was submitted in good faith on his part, and he had written to Miss Burnett asking her for an explanation.

"During seven years' experience as a literary agent, dealing with scores of clients, most of them 'unknown' writers," wrote Twinn, "I have never thought it necessary to obtain an assurance that MSS. submitted were original and unpublished, and yet this is the first time that there has ever been any question of copyright infringement."

MARKED MAGAZINES
Mr. McIntyre said that when C. Arthur Pearson Ltd. found that a story, "The Judas at the Rectory," which he had sold them, was a copy of a previously published story, Twinn offered a similar explanation to that in the other case.

When Twinn's premises were searched no record of any communications with anyone in America could be found.

A great number of magazines were discovered. They were marked

Dr. Ayers coolly and skillfully performed the second delivery during the height of an airplane raid. Anti-aircraft guns roared on all sides of the hospital.

Dr. Ayers has remained at his job here, disregarding frequent raids, on the theory that "it's part of the day's work."

"I had a job here," he explained, smiling, "and I wasn't sure where I could get another, so I've stayed."

33 CHINESE NURSES

He has 33 Chinese nurses who work unceasingly to care for the stream of stretchers bearing pitiful remnants of what were once healthy Chinese. Many of them are beyond hope when they arrive but they are given what relief is possible.

Dr. Ayers said the majority have no first aid treatment on the field, and infection has set in by the time they reach the hospital. Many die of tetanus en route.

The rumbling Red Cross trucks form a constant procession, and the ordinary facilities of the hospital, including 70 beds, have been stretched to accommodate more than 250 wounded.

There are no heating facilities in the flimsy annex, and Dr. Ayers constructed stoves made of gasoline cans. He also set up a small windmill to operate a generator, which provides a small amount of electric power.

48 HOUR STRETCH

During one 48-hour stretch recently Dr. Ayers operated practically without stopping on the shattered victims of air raids. He said 72 wounded were brought into the hospital in a single day, and a squad of six stretcher-bearers was sent out to scour the streets for additional victims.

Dr. Ayers' staff includes several nurses from Canada and the United States, including Miss Grace Gibberd of London, Ontario, and Miss Pearl Heid of Kingston, Ontario.—United Press.

This Boy Likes His Latin

Oxford House of Congregation has decided that Latin or Greek must be one of two languages in which every Pass Moderations candidate shall pass.

Moving a decree that this requirement should not be included in any reorganization of the examination, Mr. H. M. D. Parker, Fellow of Magdalen, said Pass Moderations had come to be regarded as an examination in which cramming paid, and not one in which thinking was important.

The London News Chronicle asked a parent, a schoolboy and an education expert for their views.

The Parent (a well-known accountant in the city): "As a public schoolboy I learnt Latin, Greek, German and French. I find Latin useful in my business, where I constantly meet Latin terms in legal documents. As a fairly wide reader I also find a knowledge of Latin very useful. I do not think anyone could be persuaded to study a language as a mental exercise, and in my view this is not a good argument in defence of the retention of Latin."

The Schoolboy, Keith Lewis, of Tottenham, Herts: "I like Latin, and I think it's easy. Some of the boys don't like it because it isn't easy to them. If I didn't find it easy I suppose I shouldn't like it either. I don't know whether it will help me when I become a man, because I shan't know that until I am a man."

The Education Expert, Sir Michael Sadler, one time Master of University College, Oxford: "Those who oppose the retention of Latin as a subject in which a candidate is obliged to pass feel that one should be able to choose a subject more useful, say, to those taking Modern Greats. I should have voted for the decree which was rejected."

"Submit to Thomson's." "Submit to Pearson's," and the stories were marked whether it was safe or dangerous to submit a manuscript at that time.

Asked if he had anything to say, Twinn replied: "No, except to say I have been a fool. I did not realize the significance of what I was doing."



MRS. HARRY BIRCHALL OF LONDON, trying to raise four children on her husband's wages of five pounds a week, started a petition stressing the rising cost of living and asking removal of consumer's taxes. Eventually 804,000 signed it. Here she presents it, in 41 bundles, to Sir Archibald Sinclair, Liberal leader in the House of Commons.

Hostess' Wish, Smokers' Dream Come True

Washington.

The U.S. patent office has granted a patent on a device designed to cut down the chores of the overworked housewife. It also promises to decrease wear and tear on rugs and carpets, and experts say it will reduce cleaning bills by 50 per cent.

It keeps cigarette ashes off the vest—and the rug and sofa.

The last issue of the patent office gazette virtually is a smoker's special. It grants exclusive rights on a motor-driven pipe cleaner, a cigarette holder attached to a ring, and a handy combination of receptacles that makes ash trays, cigarettes, matches and a scotch and soda within arm's reach of the easy chair.

But it took a man from London to think of the contraption which spares the nerves of the entertaining hostess as she watches the ashes from her guests' cigarettes grow long. William Welch did the trick with a trough-effect business like attachment for the end of the ordinary holder. Starting where the cigarette protrudes from the holder, the trough extends outward and downward. It moves as the cigarette moves and when the ashes drop it is right on the job.

The automatic pipe cleaner, invented by Lloyd A. Moll, of Allentown, Pa., is a smoker's dream come true. The smoker has to do is push the pipe on the stand, press a button and away goes the nicotine. It squirts a little cleaning fluid into the stem, swishes it around a bit and turns on a compressed air gadget that dries the pipe.

The cigarette holder-ring, invented by Watson P. Aull, of St. Louis, works like this:

Put the ring on your finger, clamp the cigarette on the ring and from then on the hands are free for work or amusement.

U.S. Building to Attack Japan
Tokyo.

Japanese newspapers were virtually unanimous to-day in interpreting Secretary of State Cordell Hull's letter as signifying the intention of the United States to build the world's largest navy to attack Japan. This feeling has been on the increase since Secretary Hull asked concerning Japan navy building, the increase in Pacific manoeuvres by the U.S. fleet and passage of the record peace time naval appropriation bill by Congress.

The newspaper Asahi said Secretary Hull's letter "expresses in positive terms America's ambition in the western Pacific and her determination to speak with a loud voice in Oriental affairs."

A Japanese naval source said "apparently there is no longer any doubt as to America's intentions. The world's biggest navy in order to dominate the Pacific. It is hardly plausible to describe the present programme as 'self defence.' The United States is the world's most self-sufficient nation. What other conclusion is possible?"

In a letter to Senator David I. Walsh, Democrat of Massachusetts, a member of the naval affairs committee, Secretary Hull opposed a stay-at-home policy for the navy. He said the fleet must be left free to protect the rights of American citizens throughout the world. The secretary argued that a stay-at-home policy would expose Americans to attack anywhere in the world. He said he favoured retention of the old naval ratio—five each for the United States and Great Britain and three for Japan.

German Scholarships.—Members of the German trade delegation which has been touring the United States for home to-day. The chairman, Herr Rausch, said the delegation had decided to award five scholarships for South African students tenable at German universities for two terms. This is being done in gratitude for the reception accorded the delegation in South Africa, and also to promote international understanding.

AUSTRALIA
MISLAID DESIGNS FOR CATHEDRAL
Sydney.

An extraordinary situation has arisen here through the accidental discovery at the Sydney railway station of plans submitted by a Melbourne firm of architects for the competition for designs for the enlarged Anglican Cathedral here.

The first prize in the competition went to a London firm. The plans just discovered were never seen by the adjudicators. Their loss was due to the fact that others sent by rail from Melbourne to Sydney had duly been collected, and the authorities knew nothing of another set awaiting collection at the station.

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MOTORING

OVER In Pennsylvania road workers are to wear belts and shoulder straps fitted with reflectors.

THE police in St. Louis, U.S.A., have been instructed to padlock cars found parked in unauthorized places.

ON the motorist's return he has no alternative but to await the policeman's arrival — and the penalty.

RESTAURANTS in Chicago which served her escort, Robert Schultz, with drinks, are being sued by Miss Anne Evans.

IN a car crash with Schultz she received face injuries for which she claims £5,000 damages.

NIGHTLY, in a crowded Syracuse, New York State, car park a dog leads his blind master to a friend's car for a lift home.

GOING up to many cars of the same make, the dog studies the number plates until he finds the right one.

Crash in House of Lords' Lift

Queues waiting to enter the Public Gallery at the Commons for the foreign affairs debate on Mar. 14 heard the crash as a scaffolding lifted, carrying 11 workmen, fell down the side of the House of Lords.

All the 11 men were hurt—three seriously.

They had been working with others on the restoration of the Victoria Tower.

They were the last shift to descend the lift, which works in a 230-foot shaft in the scaffolding.

It had picked up men from the top of the tower and had stopped at a "landing" about 70 feet from the ground for others.

"We had just begun the final descent when the lift suddenly began to speed up," one of the men said.

"We weren't scared till we found ourselves near the ground and unable to stop the lift."

"The gate was closed and when we landed with a terrific crash we were all thrown together."

Officials from the Office of Works took statements from some of the men in the lift.

Bachelors Quit

Leader Wants To Marry And Calls Them "Cowards"

Cries of "Traitor!" greeted Mr. Harry Chapman, chairman of the Ilfracombe Bachelor Club, when he told members at the first and last annual meeting of the club:

He was "contemplating matrimony." "In these days of a falling birth rate," he declared, "bachelors are falling in their duty to the State. Bachelors are cowards."

The club was formed a year ago. Since then ten members have married and twelve have become engaged.

After the meeting had lasted till dawn it was decided to wind up the club.

MONUMENT TO COW PROPOSED

SYDNEY.—The Illawarra Shorthorn Society has proposed erection of a permanent monument to perpetuate the memory of Melba XV, a cow. Melba, holds the world's record for butterfat. It is believed the proposal will be accepted by the 160th Australian anniversary committee.

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AIR MISSION RETICENT ON BRITISH PLANS

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spend. Any orders for aircraft Britain may place are expected to reach full production capacity in 1938.—Reuter.

CONGRESSMAN SUSPICIOUS

Washington, Apr. 25. Speaking in the debate on the Expansion Bill, Senator J. Hamilton Lewis declared that unless the United States stopped selling war materials to foreign nations she might some day find herself fighting against American produced machines.

Senator Lewis protested against the purchasing agents from Britain being permitted to "ascertain the full quality of our ability to manufacture produce of war supplies under the guise of purchase."

High quarters emphasise there is nothing political about the British Air Mission, which is not seeking contacts with the State Department. It is further emphasised that all governments purchasing air material are treated uniformly with regard to applications for export licences.

The Washington Star points out that France, Russia, Japan, China, Turkey and various South American nations have ordered, or are about to order, aircraft and other war material from the United States.

The British Air Mission this afternoon conferred with the Air Attache of the British Embassy regarding arrangements for a tour of aircraft factories.—Reuter.

AQUARIUM SOCIETY MEETS

The next meeting of the Hongkong Aquarium Society will be held at 8.30 p.m. to-morrow at the South China Nursery, East Point Hill. An interesting collection of tropical fishes will be on exhibition and an opportunity will be given to inspect tanks used for breeding.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd April to the 6th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

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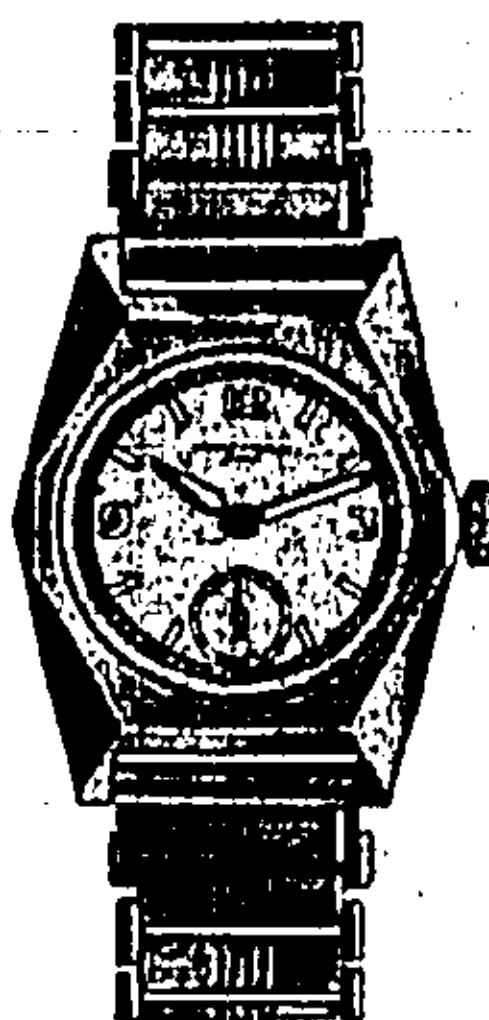
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CHINESE LAUNCH DARING ATTACK

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retreated to the east, leaving 500 dead soldiers behind.—United Press.

Chinese Counter Attack Gains

Hankow, Apr. 26. Two Chinese columns operating north-east of the Taotun and Howan villages, north-east of Talerchwang, and working in close co-operation after receiving newly arrived reinforcements, launched an attack yesterday on Japanese positions, north-east of Talerchwang, making considerable progress, according to a Chinese military communiqué.

The Japanese forces attacking Phislen were repulsed by the Chinese at Lienpanshan, north of Phislen. Meanwhile the Chinese command is rushing reinforcements to Phislen.

On the north bank of the Yellow River, Honan is cleared of Japanese troops, following the Chinese occupation of Hainfeng, Nanlo, Menhsien and Wenhsien, except for 2,000 Japanese at Fengchiu, opposite Kalfeng.

Advance In Shansi

In Shansi the Chinese forces attacked Antes, east of Hungtung on the Tatung-Puchow railway, "wiping out one Japanese detachment, and seizing large quantities of ammunition."

Meanwhile severe fighting is going on the western shore of Taihu Lake, where the Japanese forces, after receiving 2,000 reinforcements, launched five attacks on Chinese positions, which a Chinese communiqué states, were successfully repulsed.—Reuter.

Chinese Nearing Licheng In Shansi

Tungkuwan, Apr. 26. Continuing their eastward drive following the recapture of Siangyuan in eastern Shansi a few days ago, the Chinese are now nearing Licheng, according to a military report, the first of a series of attacks in progress in the vicinity of Licheng.—Central News.

Lull On South Tientsin-Pukow Front

Hsuehow, April 26. With fierce fighting on the northern section of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, a lull prevails on the south Tsinpu front.

A party of Japanese attempted to cross the Hwai River at Pengpu and Hawiyuan on April 24, but was repulsed by the Chinese on the north bank.

On the north Kiangsu front, the Japanese at Tungkuwan are pushing northwards toward Yencheng, in three columns. One column was challenged by Chinese militia at Hsinchen and Anteng, north-east of Hinghsia, yesterday and during the ensuing battle two Japanese officers and scores of soldiers were killed.—Central News.

Thrust In South Shantung Checked

Hsuehow, April 26. The Japanese thrust on the south sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway has been checked by the Chinese general counter-offensive launched yesterday morning.

Chinese reinforcements are now closing on Tancheng which was captured by the Japanese on April 24, in an effort to recover the town. Bitter fighting is proceeding north of Phislen, 25 kilometres south-east of Talerchwang.

It is stated that the Japanese attempted to advance in three columns. One column from Yhsien and south-west Linyi concentrated at Lanlingchen, tried to push toward Phislen. A second column from Yhsien advanced along Licheng-Tsuehow branch railway with Talerchwang as the objective. A third column from Linyi advanced by the Linyi-Tancheng highway has already taken Tancheng. The Japanese troops at Hanchwang and Tsineng are on defensive.

It is believed that either of the three Japanese columns aims at cutting the eastern section of the Lunghai railway, menacing Hsuehow, the important junction of the Lunghai Railway and the Tientsin-Pukow Railway by a flanking movement.—Central News.

STOCK MARKET HAS DULL DAY

COMMODITIES EASIER; FRANC RALLIES

London, Apr. 25. The London Stock Exchange was quiet to-day, pending the budget. Occasional offerings found poor support, and consequently things were rather dull.

Among commodities, cocoa eased on unconfirmed rumours that the buying pool had suspended operations until October, but they closed above the lowest. Rubber eased in sympathy with the East and American.

On foreign exchanges, French control intervened strongly to support spot franc, which rallied briskly. Belgas weakened through French selling. Wall Street was dull.—Reuter Special.

GERMAN GENERAL ON WAY TO JAPAN

Amsterdam, Apr. 26. Field Marshal Werner von Blomberg, the former German Minister for Defence, accompanied by his wife, has arrived in Belawan, in north Sumatra, according to a message received here.

He is reported to have informed a representative of a Sumatra news paper that he is on his way to Japan where he intends to make a short visit.—Transocean.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Rents Commission

To the Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—After reading Mr. Braga's interesting letter referring to the rents question, would it not be possible for you to invite particulars of rents which have been increased since the publication of the Commission's Report?

I believe that much interesting data could thus be secured, and the need for some form of control against those who profiteer clearly established.—APPREHENSIVE.

The Telegraph is prepared to receive particulars of increased rents since the publication of the Commission's Report, but all such communications must be accompanied by documentary evidence, such as copies of letters, receipts, etc.—Editor.

CAPETOWN SAILS

With a long paying-off pennant denoting the length of her commission on China Station, H.M.S. Capetown slipped out of Hongkong harbour at 10.0 a.m. to-day on her 8,000 mile voyage home, where she will refit and re-commission.

Of the 1918-22 construction, Capetown has spent most of her commissioned service on the China Station.

Her career since returning here from refit in 1936 has been an adventurous one. She was at Hankow when the first Japanese drive made the fall of that city appear imminent, and brought a large number of refugees down the Yangtze to Shanghai and later to Hongkong. During the trip down the river a baby was born to the wife of one of the refugees.

More recently the Capetown carried out a remarkable rescue of the officers and crew of the French steamer Yolande, which was wrecked near Weihaiwei. The daughter of the owner of the vessel was among those saved.

Goddesses Of The Antipodes LORD DE LA WARR ON AUSTRALIAN PHYSIQUE

Earl de la Warr, the Lord Privy Seal, now on a visit to Australia for the celebrations, is most impressed by the physique of young Australians, especially of the surf life-saving teams who took part in the pageantry.

"And," he said, "I am told that the Australian girls are of as fine physique as the men. I cannot help thinking that if all would follow the example of the Prime Minister in regard to the size of their families, Australia would soon be populated by a race of gods and goddesses."

(Mr. J. A. Lyons, Australia's Prime Minister, has a family of eleven children.)

Sir Robert Gales, a retired English civil engineer who is also in Australia, is even more emphatic, says *Australian News*. "A European traveller," he declared, "cannot help receiving the impression that here is being evolved a race so much improved on the British, that the parent stock has almost lost its identity."

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Rochester, New York. Mr. Frank Stonegraber, aged 38, has married Mrs. Barbara Bundusch, aged 32.

Grey-haired friends of the bride and youthful fellow-workers of the groom—a factory hand—celebrated the wedding.

A supper cooked by the bride graced the table at the wedding feast that followed the ceremony. The couple were married by the Rev. Mr. Henry J. Welch in the Stonegraber home, where the bride had been a housekeeper for many years.

Earlier arrangements for a ceremony at the home of Mr. Welch were cancelled because of the crowd of curious would-be spectators that gathered at the parsonage.

SCHOOLS HOCKEY

The following will represent the Combined Schools in a hockey match against La Salle College on the Radio Sports ground at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday.

E. Smith (St. Joseph's); Bachan Singh (St. Joseph's) and Balwant Singh or M. Singh (Ellis Kadoorie); Sousa (St. Joseph's); Tirlok Singh (Queen's); Karmiludhar Singh Gill (St. Joseph's); Khan Mohamed (Ellis Kadoorie); Saul Reuben (St. Joseph's); Gurdeep Singh Sidhu (Queen's); Narajan Singh or Arjan Singh (Queen's) and R. Rocha (St. Joseph's). Reserves—(Jaz Mohamed and Kiran Singh Gill (Ellis Kadoorie), and Sequera (St. Joseph's).

POST OFFICE.

51 NEW STAMPS

Postage Stamps of the new issue H.M. King George VI in the denomination 1 dollar will be on sale as from 27th April.

In order to assist Dealers and others who require considerable quantities of these stamps for "first day covers," supplies in complete sheets of 120 stamps only will be available at the Chief Accountant's Office, 1st Floor, Post Office Building, from 4.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, 26th April. The stamps will not be valid for postage until 27th April.

AIR MAIL SERVICES

Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

AIR MAIL LETTERS

Air mail letters may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan	Allpore	April 26.
Amoy	Anking	April 26.
Swatow	Felix Roussel	April 26.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Manila (San Francisco, 25th March).	Pres. Taft	April 26.
Calcutta, Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers)	Talma	April 26.
London date, 24th March.	Chitral	April 27.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 31st March and London Parcels—London date, 24th March.	Emp. of Canada	April 27.
Manila	Holhow	April 27.
Swatow	Imperial Airways Plane	April 27.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st April.	Nellore	April 27.
Japan	Pan-American Airways Plane	April 27.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 20th April	Sochoo	April 27.
Shanghai and Swatow	Tyfadane	April 27.
Java and Manila	D'Artagnan	April 27.
Shanghai	Kwelyang	April 28.
Bangkok and Swatow	Philoctetes	April 28.
Straits	Imperial Airways Plane	April 29.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th April.	Kiangsu	April 29.
Shanghai and Foochow	Rawalpindi	April 29.
Japan and Shanghai	Conte Verde	April 30.
Dalren	Szechuen	April 30.
Tientsin and Swatow	Liangchow	May 1.
Amoy	Tjisaron	May 1.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 8th April)	Pres. Coolidge	May 2.
Straits	Cremor	May 3.
Tientsin and Swatow	Ninghai	May 3.
U.S.A., Canada and Japan (Seattle date, 18th April)	Pres. Jackson	May 3.
Shanghai	Sargodon	May 3.
Japan	Hawaii Maru	May 3.
Java	Tjibadak	May 4.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Fort Bayard	Tuesday	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Wing Wo	Tues., Apr. 26, 1 p.m.
*Japan	Felix Roussel	Tues., Apr. 26, 5 p.m.
	Kutsang	Tues., Apr. 26, 5 p.m.
	Wednesday	
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Wed., Apr. 27, 8.15 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow (via Amoy)	Taiyuan	Wed., Apr. 27, 8.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Fook On	Wed., Apr. 27, 10 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhol and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Wed., Apr. 27, 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and (Foochow via Amoy)	Anhui	Wed., Apr. 27, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Stan, Lanchow and Chengtu etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Cebu, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 5th May	Pan American Airways Plane	Wed., April 27.
	K.P.O.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kwelin, C.N.A.C. Plane	C.N.A.C. Plane	Wed., Apr. 27.
Kwelyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service"	K.P.O.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Wed., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
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	Thursday	
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	Thurs., Apr. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Hing	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Chitral	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Kanchow	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Salgon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 25th May.	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 9.15 a.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central Pres.	Ord.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
and South America, *Canada and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 17th May and Europe via Siberia	Taft	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
	Parcels	Thurs., Apr. 27, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Imperial Direct Service"—due London, 5th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Apr. 28.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Thurs., Apr. 28.
	Reg.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C., 18th May, and Europe via Siberia	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Thurs., Apr. 28.
	Parcels	Thurs., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 8.15 a.m.
	Ord.	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
	Friday	
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Fri., Apr. 29, 8.15 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow (via Amoy)	Hal Ching	Fri., Apr. 29, 2 p.m.
	Saturday	
Shanghai	Conte Verde	Sat., Apr. 30, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 27th May.	Parcels	Sat., Apr. 29, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Sat., Apr. 30, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.	Sat., Apr. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M." Airways for Rawalpindi—due Amsterdam 10th May	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 30.
	Reg.	Sat., Apr. 30, 8.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Sat., Apr. 30, 10 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhol and Haiphong	Sochoo	Sat., Apr. 30, 5 p.m.
	Sunday	
Formosa	Hongkong Maru Sun	May 1, 9 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Kiangsu	Sun., May 1.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Imp. Airways Plane"—due London, 8th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	Sun., May 1.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sun., May 1.
	Reg.	Sun., May 1, Noon.
	Ord.	Sun., May 1, Noon.
Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Darwin, 5th May.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sun., May 1.
	Reg.	Sun., May 1, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Sun., May 1, Noon.

ANGLO-IRISH
FINANCIAL
AGREEMENT
COMPLETE

(Continued from Page 1.)

and Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, will make a statement in the House of Commons to-morrow, and the necessary Bill will be passed as soon as possible.

It is understood the Premier played a big part in bringing the agreement to fruition.

Goes Far Beyond
Expectations

The significance of the agreement is that it goes far beyond the contents expected, and a new Anglo-Irish atmosphere, as well as a new era of friendship and co-operation in matters of common concern has been created.

With regard to defence, it is expected the Eire Government will now take over more seriously than in the past, the question of defence of the principal Eire ports.

Irish official circles welcome the agreement as a big step towards a more complete accord in the future, and it is felt that with new goodwill on all sides the parties will concentrate efforts in removing "facilities" which is the only remaining obstacle to final conclusion of the two peoples, and Irishmen in North Ireland will participate in the work of appeasement.

Britain Has Nothing
To Lose

The Irish Delegation's view is that Britain has nothing to fear and everything to gain from a free and independent Ireland. The point has been repeated in the declarations of Mr. De Valera that Eire will not be permitted to be used as a base to attack Britain, and Eire will defend her sovereignty against all comers.

It is pointed out that the question of defence is not a question of paper bargaining, but each country is acting for its own interests, which are joint interests. As a result of the handing over of the ports, Eire will formulate her own policy of defence, though it is possible there will be some consultation or co-ordination with Britain.

Irish circles regard the friendly interest of the United States as an important factor in making the agreement possible, and they pay a tribute to Mr. Chamberlain, without whose help no agreement could have been made, and to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, without whose negotiations could never have begun.

An interesting event in connection with the signing of the Anglo-Irish Agreement was when Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented Mr. De Valera with a pair of field-glasses, which the Eire leader handed over when surrendering his garrison to the British troops in 1916. Mr. De Valera surrendered the glasses to a military officer who recently sent them to the Prime Minister.

Reuter.

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continued steady with buyers willing to increase their offers for some of the public utility counters, but with little response from holders of shares.

Buyers
Hongkong Bank \$1,540
Bank of East Asia \$200
Canton Insurance \$270
Union Insurance \$220
H.K. & S. Wharves \$133
Hauha \$81
H.K. Mines \$2,114
H.K. & S. Hotels \$2.70
H.K. 4% debentures \$100 1/2
Humphreys \$9
H.K. Realities \$3.15
Chinese Estates \$200
H.K. Tramways \$10 1/2
Peak Tram (Old) \$1
Star Ferries \$23 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$11 1/2
H.K. Electric \$20
Telephones (Old) \$27
Telephones (New) \$10.70
Cement \$17.50
Dairy Farms \$24 1/2
Lane, Crawford \$20.40
Wing On Textiles \$20
Constructions \$15
Maramans (H.K.) 3/10

Sellers
H.K. Mines \$2,125
H.K. Lands \$27
H.K. Tramways \$10 1/2
China Lights (New) \$9
Cement \$17.50

Sales
Hongkong Bank \$1,540
Bank of East Asia \$200
H.K. & S. Hotels \$2.70
H.K. 4% debentures \$100 1/2
H.K. Lands \$27
H.K. Tramways \$10 1/2
Star Ferries \$23 1/2
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EXCHANGE RATES

	Apr. 22.	Apr. 25.
Paris	162 1/2	162 1/2
Geneva	21.09	21.71 1/2
Berlin	12.39 3/4	12.40 1/4
Athens	54 1/2	54 1/2
Milan	94 1/2	94 1/2
Oslo	19.00	19.00
Copenhagen	22.40	22.40
Stockholm	19.40 1/2	19.40 1/2
Helsingfors	22 1/2	22 1/2
Shanghai	1/13 1/2	1/13 1/2
New York	4.93 1/4	4.93 1/4
Vienna	26 1/2	26 1/2
Amsterdam	8.90	8.90
Prague	143 1/4	143 1/4
Madrid	110 1/2	110 1/2
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4
Bombay	5.41 1/2	5.41 1/2
Montreal	5.01 1/2	5.01 1/2
Brussels	29.62 1/2	29.62 1/2
Yokohama	1/2	1/2
Belgrade	217	217
Bucharest	677 1/2	677 1/2
Montevideo	20 1/2	20 1/2
Rio de Janeiro	18 1/2	18 1/2
Silver (Spot)	18 1/2	18 1/2
Silver (Forward)	18 1/2	18 1/2
War Loan	103	101 1/2

—British Wireless.

JAPANESE ADMIT
WITHDRAWALS

Hankow, Apr. 25.

The Chinese military authorities admit that Chinese troops evacuated Tancheng, 30 miles south of Linyi, yesterday, but announce that following the arrival of Chinese reinforcements a counter-attack took place immediately and the present situation is obscure.

They announced that, with the exception of Fengchiu, opposite Kaifeng on the north bank of the Yellow River, where 2,000 Japanese troops are stationed, the entire north bank of the river in Honan and Hopei provinces has been cleared of Japanese troops.

The Chinese troops have recaptured all these cities—Tancheng and Nonlo, in the south leg of Hopei, and Menghsien and Wenhsien, on the north bank of the Yellow River, opposite to Loyang in Honan province.

Military headquarters revealed to the United Press that General Sugiyama's trip to China resulted, firstly, in a change of high command of Japanese forces in China, secondly, the early capture of Hsuehchow is the key to the Japanese success in the entire China adventure, and, thirdly, that in order to occupy Hsuehchow as early as possible, attacks must be made from both the northern and southern sections of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

These decisions resulted in withdrawal of the Japanese troops in Shansi, Honan, South Hopei to the north Tientsin-Pukow sector and transportation of Japanese troops in the Shanghai-Nanking-Hongchow triangle to the south Tientsin-Pukow sector.

TROOPS FROM JAPAN

The most accurate military intelligence so far states that the Japanese have only increased their forces by 10 divisions on the south and north Tientsin-Pukow fronts, two divisions out of these fresh troops coming from Manchuria and the rest from Honan, Shansi, Kiangsu and Chekiang.

The Japanese military authorities are busy rushing reinforcements from Japan proper in order to defend cities such as Peiping, Tientsin, Nanking and Hangchow.

The total forces of the Japanese attackers in Shantung and Anhwei are about 300,000, with another 200,000 men waiting to reinforce them in case of adversity.

There are 500,000 Chinese troops concentrated in North Kiangsi, South Shantung and North Anhwei to meet the direct Japanese attack on Hsuehchow and another 500,000 waiting as reinforcements.

Three divisions of Chinese troops from the far province of Yunnan have also been rushed to Hsuehchow front to participate in the war, according to high military quarters.

Though the Chinese military authorities are doing their utmost to drive a wedge between Linyi and Yihshien, they announced officially to-day that the Japanese troops have reached a point a short distance north of Pihshien, in north Kiangsu, 14 miles from Lunghai Railway and 18 miles south-east of Tientsin. Chinese troops are counter-attacking the advancing Japanese spearhead, but the position at Pihshien is definitely tense.—United Press.

JAPANESE CAPTURE VILLAGES

Shanghai, Apr. 25.—A Japanese army spokesman announced to-day the capture by Japanese troops of two villages north of Yihshien. Both the villages, he said, were to the south of the Shantung-Kiangsi border which Japanese troops from Shantung crossed on April 21.—Reuter.

JAPANESE DRIVE CHECKED

Hsuehchow, Apr. 25.—The Japanese drive from Tancheng southward towards the Lunghai railway has now been definitely checked.

The capture of Tancheng on the evening of April 23 by Japanese troops is admitted in military reports reaching here to-day. It is stated, however, that with the arrival of fresh Chinese troops who have launched a heavy counter-attack near the north-west gate of the city, the Japanese advance has now been halted.

The main force of the Japanese invading army, pushing on towards Pihshien, twenty-five kilometres south-east of Tancheng, is challenged by strong Chinese defence troops at a point ten kilometres north of the city.

The strength of the Japanese force attacking Pihshien, it is learned, is about a full division.—Central News.

EDUCATIONIST
MOURNED

London, Apr. 25.—Lord MacGregor Mitchell, Rector of St. Andrew's University, died to-day while presiding at a meeting of the University Court.—Reuter.

Lord Mitchell was the son of Mr. Robert Mitchell, solicitor, and was born at Perth. He was called to the Scottish Bar in 1914 after practising as a solicitor in Perth for a number of years. From 1923 to 1924 he was Liberal Member of Parliament for the Perth Division. He was made King's Counsel in 1924 and had been Chairman of the Scottish Land Court since 1934, since when he was also a member of the St. Andrew's University Court.

"GREY OWL"
IS DEAD

"Grey Owl," the Canadian Indian lecturer, died at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, last week—a month after telling reporters that "another month of this lecturing will kill me."

"Grey Owl," whose life was wrapped up in the forests, devoted himself to trying to save the wild life of Canada. He was opposed to Christianisation of the Indians on the ground that it destroyed their own code of morality, justice and art. Forty-four years of age, the son of an Apache Indian woman and a Scotsman, "Grey Owl" (whose other name was Kennedy), was once a trapper, and he gave up this means of livelihood and decided to become the protector of animals. For three years he almost starved, but eventually he was discovered by the Canadian Government, who gave him the work of research into the habits and mentality of wild animals. He was appointed chief conservation officer of the 10,000 square mile Prince Albert National Park in North Saskatchewan; and there, surrounded by his animal friends, the majority of them beavers, he and his Indian wife lived in their simple log cabin.

Tall and dark, and with black hair from which projected an eagle feather when he was on a public platform, "Grey Owl" made several visits to Birmingham. He lectured in the city last November on his experiences amid the snow of Northern Canada. He spoke in a cultured voice, describing often with humour the hardships of the trail and discomforts suffered by lone adventurers in the Arctic wilderness.

Last year before returning to Canada he was to have given a broadcast talk, but when he submitted it, the B.B.C. asked for alterations to the script. These he refused to make, and the talk was not given. During his visit he was presented to the King and Queen.

MRS. NELLIE MOLLER

A Well-Known Resident
Of Shanghai

In the presence of a group of intimate friends, funeral services were conducted for the late Mrs. Nellie Moller last week at Shanghai. A resident of the city for over forty years, the deceased was the widow of the late Mr. Oscar Moller, prominent share broker, who died three years ago. The kindly disposition of Mrs. Moller won her friends of many years standing. Among the natives of Soochow, Henan, and Quinsan she was well known, having made many trips there to bring much needed medicines and herself administering relief to the suffering people. Following a brief illness the deceased died at the Paulin Hospital last Thursday evening. She is survived by a sister of 82 years, Mrs. Barbara Weir, of San Francisco. The remains were cremated.

THE FILMS YOU
LIKE TO SEE

(Continued from Page 6.)

American slang and gangster films. Those in lighter occupations are inclined to prefer the British type of picture.

Films dealing with sport, whether it be football, cricket, boxing, dog or horse racing are on the danger list.

I had a letter from a woman in Wolverhampton which demonstrates this point.

"All the week," she wrote, "I have to listen to my husband talking about football. Thank goodness when Saturday comes he goes to his blessed football and I can go to the pictures."

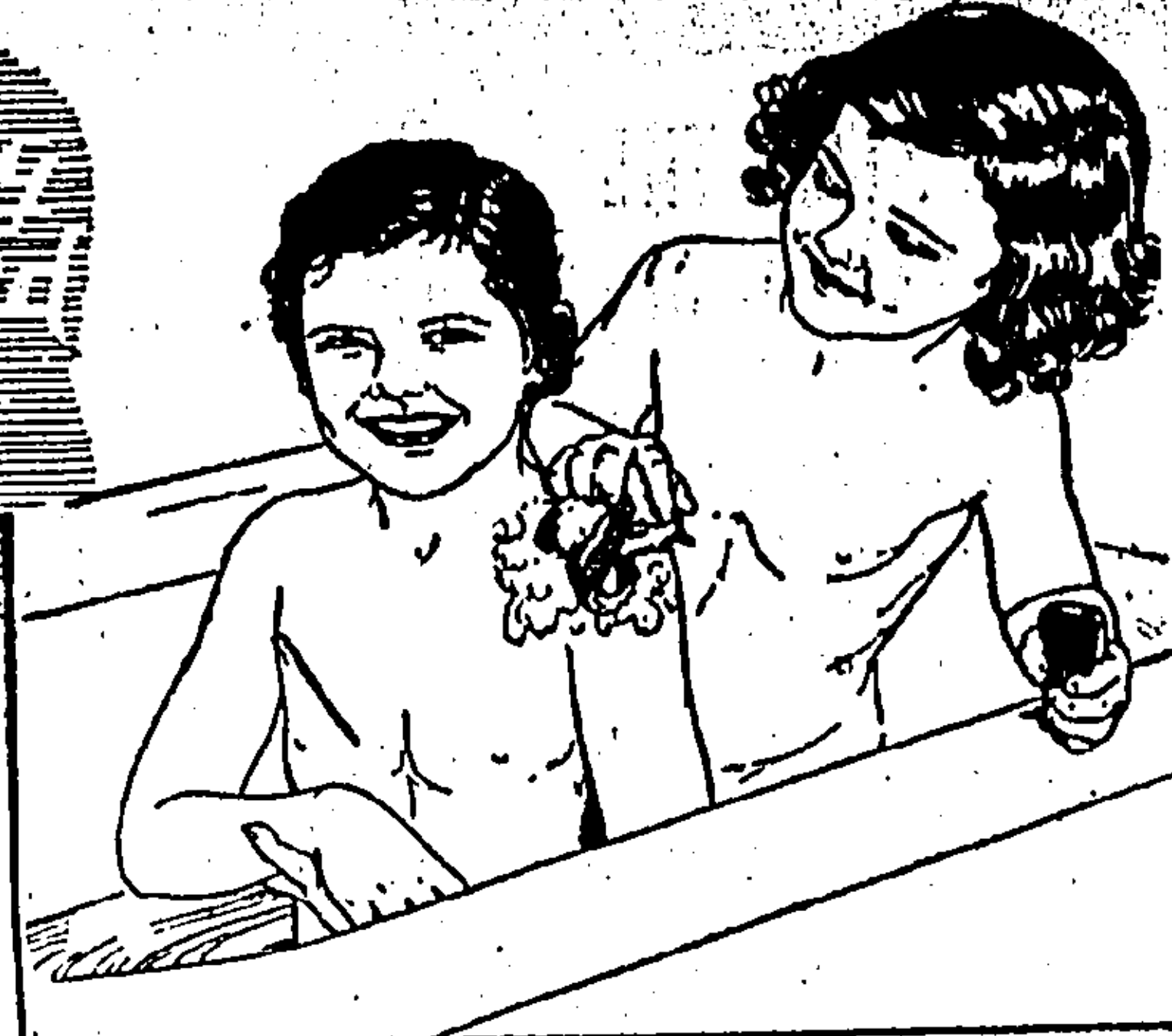
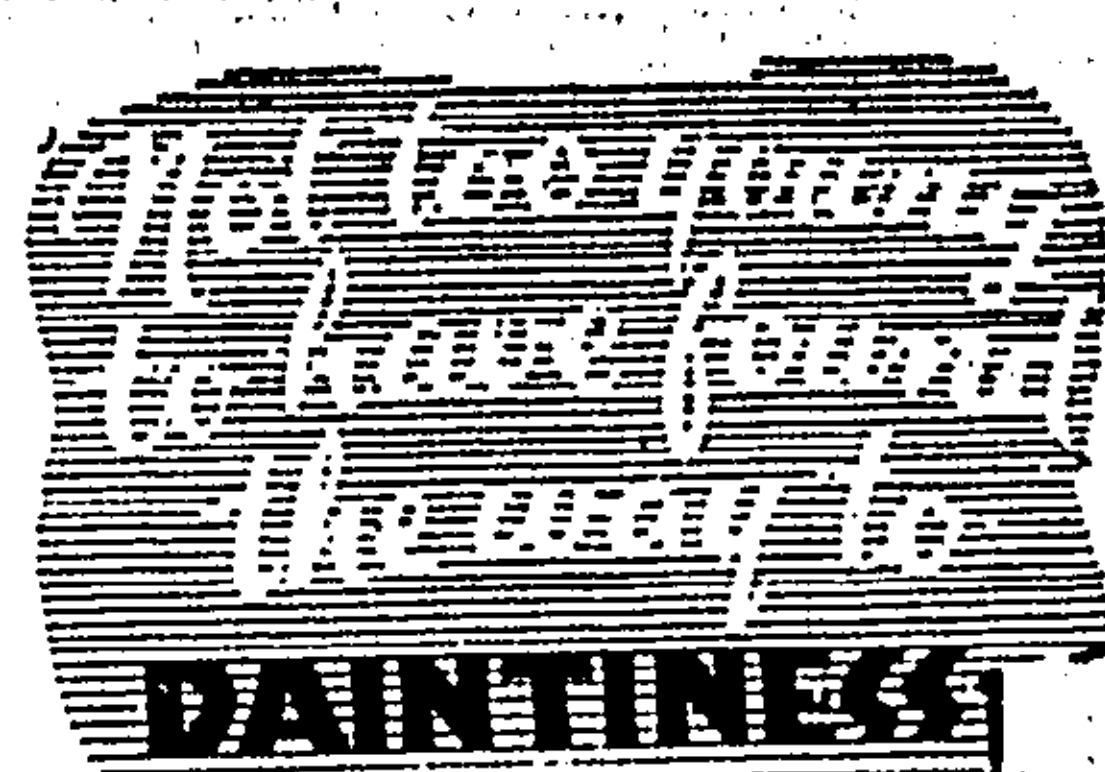
"So will you tell me what on earth possessed you to send a football film to Wolverhampton? Don't do it again."

I won't.

FAMOUS SCULPTOR
DIES IN U.S.

New York, Apr. 25.—To-day the death occurred of George Grey Barnard, a famous sculptor, at the age of 74, from heart failure.—United Press.

George Barnard was born in 1863 and has exhibited all over the world, including in the Paris Salon in 1894, and the Buffalo Exhibition in 1901. He was appointed Professor of Sculpture of the Art Students' League, New York, in 1900 and resigned in 1904. His works, which include many world famous pieces and groups, adorn many of America's famous public buildings.



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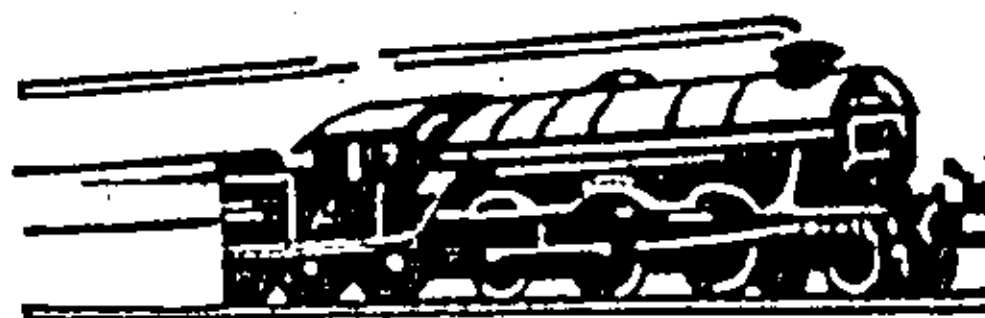
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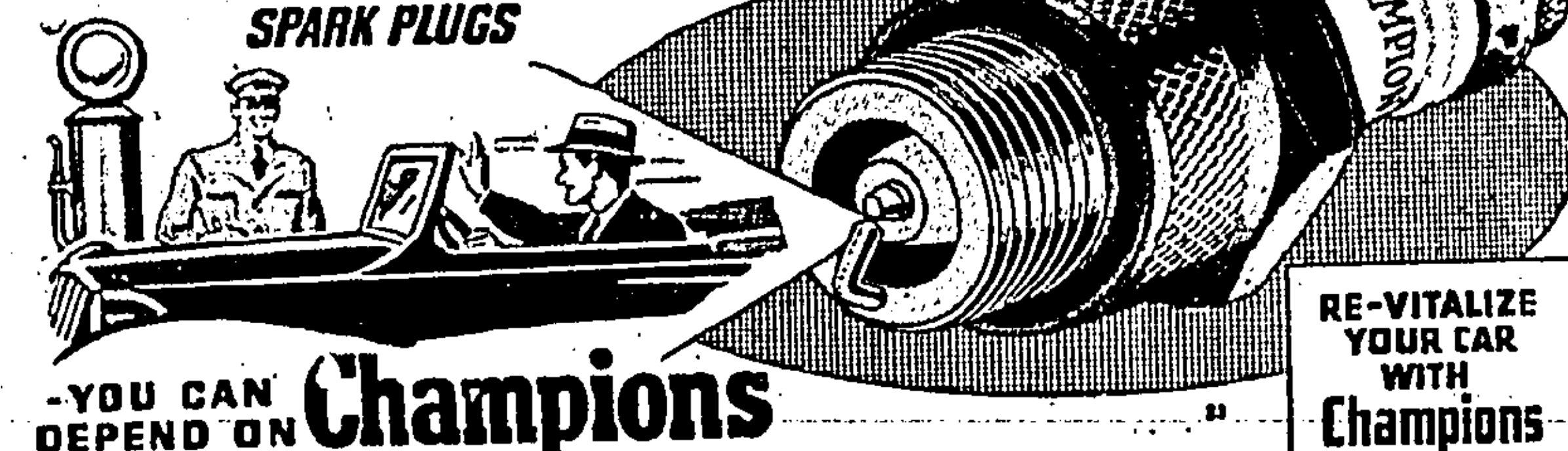
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FOR THOSE WHO
FORGET

The subject of this article cannot be guaranteed as being either interesting or instructive, yet it is something which touches to a lesser or greater degree almost every one of Hongkong's residents; and more particularly the European population. It is that affliction known to many, admitted by a few, "Hongkong Memory." It may be indigenous to this Colony, so to speak; or it may be that climatic and other conditions combine to nourish it here and that it is no more than a manifestation of the same mental inertia which occurs elsewhere, notably in the Spring. In any event, there is no denying its existence, and even its utility; for it has served before now as an excuse for a broken dinner date. As far as can be ascertained none of the great scientific minds of the age has tackled this rather fascinating problem, although Freud and Jung have made dilettante reference to similar complaints. It is therefore time the thing was examined.

It is not suggested that "Hongkong Memory" is a disease, exactly. It may very well be a symptom of some physical disability, however, and perhaps can help the medical man to arrive at a correct diagnosis. It is sometimes chronic and apparently is one of the results of excessive use of alcohol, though it is not a proof of over-indulgence. It may be a result of physical fatigue or worry, or it may be due to unconscious repression. In a form well-known to journalists and public speakers, it frequently results in inability to remember a word or a name. And since, at this stage of treatment the subject approaches the realm of psychopathology, it might not be amiss to consider the relationship between "Hongkong Memory" and the mental and physical states which induce *lapses linguæ*, or in every-day language, slips of the tongue. That there is a close relationship seems certain. It was the former German Chancellor, Prince Bulow, who fell into one of the most embarrassing tongue traps when defending his Emperor in 1907. "Concerning the present," the new epoch of Emperor Wilhelm II, I can only repeat what I said a year ago, that it would be unfair and unjust to speak of a *cotario* of

The Films You Like To See

By
The Man Who Picks Them
ARTHUR W. JARRATT
of Gaumont-British

IT is my job to find film entertainment—to pick "pictures for places." How do I set about it?

Golden Rule No. 1 is never to under-rate the intelligence of the public. If a picture is unpopular you can be sure it is bad.

Rule No. 2 is to remember always that the public will not be lectured. If an entertaining film carries a moral that is all to the good. But no audience will accept a lecture for the lecture's sake.

As far as films are concerned, there is one West End for weekdays and another for Sundays, and neither is the West End of the street maps.

On weekdays, audiences in West End cinemas come mainly from the districts west and north of Piccadilly and they appreciate most the fast, wise-cracking, crazy comedies.

They like any well-made comedy or melodrama, but they are not keen on ordinary Western dramas, dialect films, back-stage stories, and musical films.

No Clue

ON Sundays the West End moves round to the East. Audiences then come from an area north of the Thames as far east as Bow.

And the strange characteristic of these Sunday filmgoers is that their reactions give no clue to success or failure with other audiences—even weekly audiences attending the same cinemas.

North London likes fast-moving films, especially of the gangster or G-Man type. But this holds good only until we get north of Harringay, where we strike the same sort of audience as we find nearly everywhere south of the Thames.

In these outer suburban areas, the British type of film is most popular.

North London understands and likes American slang. South London does not like it, and does not wish to understand it.

Now what about the Provinces? In the main we can say south of Nottingham is like South London, and the northern counties like North London. But there are notable exceptions. York and Harrogate, for instance, follow South London's tastes.

Lancashire and Yorkshire in general are magnificently loyal to their own stars. If you send them what you think the finest film in the world on a week when they can see a Gracie Fields or a George Formby you will be asking for trouble.

On Danger List

I FIND that those engaged in heavy or arduous work incline to follow North London in its liking for

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responsible advisers around our Emperor" (loud cries of "irresponsible!")—to speak of irresponsible advisers. Pardon the *lapses linguæ*. "This confused utterance was naturally followed by hilarity among Bulow's hearers. It may be that the mind of such a speaker, like the mind of a writer, runs on before his words; that he speaks, actually, in a sort of recitation, having instantly memorised a sentence framed in the mind, and that while he is speaking his brain is racing on to find new words and arrange them in proper order. Even so, the error is a sign of mental weariness, and of the same category as that of the Hongkong man who droopingly murmurs to the bar-boy: "I think I shall have a shishkey-woda. I mean a 'whisky'—oh, a high-ball."

This information is not likely to do anyone very much good. The whole article is typical of the products of minds afflicted with the subject of discussion. The best remedy for this decrepit mental state is rest and quiet.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Every night this week it's been dinners, banquets, dances, stay parties—when will we spend a quiet evening at home?"

QUOTATION FOR TODAY

ONE of the greatest lessons of life is to learn not to do what one likes, but to like what one does.—BLACK.

Goodbye Gretna Green!

The Government will shortly introduce a Bill in the Commons to end "irregular marriages" at Gretna Green and elsewhere in Scotland.

Mr. Walter Elliot, Secretary for Scotland, announced this answering a question by Mr. David Kirkwood.

The Bill is not yet finally drafted, but it will end all forms of marriage in Scotland except:—in recognised Christian or Jewish places of worship after the ordinary calling of banns;

by a new form of civil wedding before officials to be instituted by the Bill. It will resemble English Register Office marriage.

Marriage of minors without consent of their parents, and marriage by declaration before witnesses will be ended. All unauthorised people who profess to conduct marriages—such as Mr. Rensimon, the Gretna "Blacksmith," will be penalised and put out of practice by the Bill.

GRETNA GREEN. From St. Pancras or Euston 317½ miles. Map square 44. See Carlistic. About 6 week-day, 1 Sunday service. Ordinary single 64/2 a, 38/6 c. Monthly return 77/3 a, 51/6 c. Early closing Wednesday.

Not very romantic, the way the time-table looks at it, is it?

But Gretna Green is really a prosaic place. During the war £9,000,000 was spent on making it into a cordite-manufacturing centre where 24,700 people worked. The ruins remain in the fields around.

It might have become more important still if this munition factory hadn't been sold up in 1924. Labour M.P.s wanted to make it into a vast peace-time factory.

Now Gretna Green has come into the news again—perhaps for the last time.

For 184 years Gretna Green has been the scene of "romantic" marriages.

Romantic? Well... it was only an Act of Parliament in 1754 which changed the venue of these "romantic" marriages.

It did so by making the marriage of a minor illegal in England without consent of parents or guardian. Such marriages remained legal in Scotland—and are still so to-day.

Before the Act of 1754 minors had contracted "hideaway" weddings with their lovers in the Fleet Prison of London.

Afterwards they started those long drives in post-chaises to the Scottish border, with furious parents in pursuit and the trimmings of tawdry romance.

Gretna had replaced "The Fleet." And so the English built up Gretna Green as the very marrow of romance for runaway lovers. Gretna, you see, was the first village across the border into Scotland on the main post-road from London to Glasgow by way of Carlisle. Actually, Gretna was not the only place where irregular wed-



But Mr. Rensimon doesn't worry. "My smithy will still be one of the most famous places in the country," he told the "Daily Herald" last night when told of the new Bill.

Mr. David Macintosh, the rival marriage practitioner at Gretna, says he will "carry on until the Bill becomes law." "It is a pity," he added.

Things took place between runaways from England. At Lamber-ton Toll, on the East coast, just across the border from Berwick, and at Goldstream nearby, the same thing happened for years.

In 1856 Lord Brougham's Act was passed and one party of the marriage was required to have three weeks' residential qualification in Scotland.

The other places went out of business. Only Gretna had the staying power to survive the blow, and the sense to turn the Scottish wedding into a racket.

THE "VERY IDEA" BRINGING UP THE PROBLEM CHILD

By Eddie "Pop" Kelly
THIS amah's got measles and the headache is sick in bed with the dog (the animal occupies the bed with her) and we've been so busy lately minding the baby that we haven't had time to give you those swimming lessons we promised you.

WE find that minding the baby is the most difficult part of our job. Washing the dishes is easy, for we received so many for wedding presents that we have sufficient reinforcements for those already in the kitchen sink to avoid unnecessary mental tasks until the amah is well again.

We don't really know who that kid takes after. It must be his mother. We're sure it's not us. Mind you, he's a dear little thing, but the temptation to wring his neck does prove terrific at times. And the muck he lives on. Warmed up milk and soggy biscuits. Gruel, and stuff like that. That was his official menu, but when he found out how to open the refrigerator, he was able to vary it a little.

A bit of raw chop, followed by half a pound of butter, and the contents of the milk bottle poured over himself was just a sort of snack.

The headache used to call us into the bedroom and say in a weak, suffering voice (all put on, of course): "Is Willie alright? What's he doing now? He's very quiet."

That's the sort of kid he is. If he isn't quiet, you immediately suspect he's dead. Oh, well. Being married calls for a little cellabation.

Last year a Scottish Office committee reported against any more Gretna marriages. The new Government Bill flows from this report.

The committee based its case on two main grounds. One was that so much doubt and misery have been subsequently experienced by the foolish young couples in their mistaken "romantic" behaviour.

The other was that though the marriage ceremony itself is legal and binding in Scotland it is not legal unless followed by registration in a proper form. Unless this registration is made it isn't easy to prove or deny the marriage afterwards.

The Gretna anvil marriages are known as marriages *de present*. All any couple needs do is to say they will, have two witnesses there to hear them and that's enough. They need offer no proof of residential qualification. The "blacksmith" asks if they are qualified and is bound to accept no more than their word for it.

If the residential qualification is in fact watertight, the marriage is worthless unless immediately registered at Dumfries Sheriff's Court.

Only one in four Gretna marriages is thus registered. And that's when the trouble starts, when work is found for immigrants, probation officers and blackmailers.

Let Gretna Green be what it ought to be to the rest of the world—a name in the time-table.

Today's Thought
I MUST marry the girl first, and ask his consent afterwards.—SHERIDAN

ACROSS ATLANTIC IN TWELVE HOURS

He Has £500,000 But Does Not Know What To Do With It

"HOW CAN I GIVE HAPPINESS TO PEOPLE?"

By Garry Allighan

A MAN with £500,000 to bequeath has asked me to advise him on the best way of leaving it so that it will "give the most happiness to the largest number who need it most."

This, one of the strangest problems I have ever been set, is outlined in a letter:

"As you know, I am not by any means a poor man and, at the age of 53, with blood pressure and what the doctor discreetly calls a tired heart, I may not be long for this world."

"I want to do the right thing with my money, and wondered if you, with all the worldly wisdom men in your profession acquire, could advise me."

Wants To Make a New Will

"I want the new one to use my money in the way that will give the most happiness."

"As you know, I am a widower and my only son, now 28, has had the best possible education and is firmly set on a career in law which can only avoid being brilliant by his own foolishness."

"Apart from him I have no near relatives except a brother who is head of a big electrical concern in the United States. What do you suggest are the wisest bequests that I can make."

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"My estate will finally realise not less than half a million and rather late in life, I admit, I have begun to feel the responsibility of possessing wealth. I want to discharge that responsibility by leaving my money wisely apportioned."

"I have no rigid preferences or prejudices, but am considerably ignorant of the opportunities for intelligent philanthropy which must come to a journalist's knowledge. What do you advise?"

"ORDEAL IN ENGLAND"

Sir Philip Gibbs's Book Withdrawn

Sir Philip Gibbs's book, "Ordeal in England," has been recalled by the publishers, although it has been on sale for nine months.

Even in New Zealand booksellers have been asked to return their copies to England, though many have already been sold.

The publishers, William Heinemann, Ltd., stated: "That book has been withdrawn because the author wishes to make certain changes in one chapter. It will be reissued at a later date."

"Withdrawals of this kind are an everyday occurrence in publishing, and no importance should be attached to them."

[In "Ordeal in England" Sir Philip Gibbs quoted the opinions of people he had met on the problems of the day and built up a picture of the mind of contemporary Britain. It began with the death of George V. and ended with the Coronation.]

American Aviator Still Held

Rigid Examination By Japanese Police

Tokyo, Apr. 25. Asked to-day the legal grounds on which Mr. Melvin Gibson, the American aviator, has been arrested, a Foreign Office spokesman declined to make a statement. The matter was sub judice, he said, and had nothing to do with the Foreign Office.

Press reports suggest that Mr. Gibson may be detained indefinitely and possibly charged with "embarrassing public safety," under which the maximum punishment is execution or life imprisonment.

Two American Consular officials were permitted to see Mr. Gibson in the prison cell yesterday afternoon. The Police have dropped their original mask of cordiality and are now carrying on a rigid examination of the prisoner.

Mr. Melville Gibson, 27-year-old American, was detained by the Police on April 22 on arrival in Yokohama aboard the Empress of Asia on which he was a through passenger to Vancouver.—Reuter.

Statesman Passes

Prague, Apr. 25. The death is announced of the former Czechoslovak Premier, M. Frantisek Sidon, at the age of 72. He was the first Minister of National Defence after the creation of the new Czechoslovak State in 1918. He held this post for several years. In 1920 he succeeded to the Premiership and held office for three years, resigning after the Parliamentary elections in October 1925.—Reuter.

EMPIRE NEWS

FRUIT PRICES IN SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town. Mr. Du Toit, a prominent member of the United Party and a Member of Parliament, to-day drew the attention of the Government to the plight of the South African fruit industry which, he said, was facing disaster.

In the last citrus season the Union exported 4,000,000 cases of oranges. Mr. Du Toit said, and these were sold at an average price of 11s. 4d. per case, whereas the production and marketing in the United Kingdom of that fruit cost growers not less than 12s. 3d. per case. The citrus industry was facing very strong competition from the Argentine in the British market.

The Ottawa agreement had been of no use to South African fruit exporters, continued Mr. Du Toit, and he suggested that the British Government could help by imposing a quota on foreign fruit.

A Publicity Drive.—A suggestion is made in the Press to-day by influential producers that the Union Government should subsidise a publicity drive, both within the Union and overseas, for the marketing of South African agricultural produce. The scheme proposed would cost £500,000.

NEW ZEALAND

BIG EXODUS TO BRITAIN

Auckland. Five thousand New Zealanders are going abroad this season, and the majority of them will be visiting Britain. This total equals that of the 1937 Coronation exodus.

The travellers are spending £600,000 on fares, and the average stay abroad is six months. Passages are fully booked from January to May, and agents are bewailing the insufficiency of the sailings.

It is suggested that further facilities for passengers, in the way of up-to-date vessels, should be provided.

Totalisator Revenue.—The tax on totalisator betting resulted in the New Zealand Government netting a sum of £36,020 from the Auckland four-day mid-summer meeting and the Auckland Trotting Club three-day meeting.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA

TRIBUTE TO LORD GOWRIE

Canberra. The Governor-General, Lord Gowrie, was the guest of a Government luncheon to-day. He leaves, with Lady Gowrie, on March 22 for a holiday in England.

Lord Gowrie stated that he believed that it was necessary to get in intimate touch with the outlook at home to enable him better to perform his work in Australia. Mr. Lyons, the Prime Minister, said that Lord and Lady Gowrie had become good Australians and had endeared themselves to the people throughout the Commonwealth.—Reuter.

INDIA

FRONTIER TRIBE WARNED

New Delhi. A serious warning has been addressed by the Government of India to the Munda Kheir tribe against harboring the Fakir of Ipi, the notorious trouble maker on the North-West Frontier, whose activities have necessitated recent British operations.

A fully representative Council of the tribe was told that action would be taken against those responsible for harbouring the Fakir as punishment for their failure to obey previous orders.—Reuter.



BEAUTY—Among 250 girl contestants, Miss Irmgard Dietel was chosen "Miss Florida of 1938" at the sixth annual Miami Biltmore Country Club contest at Coral Gables, Fla. The 17-year-old beauty was born in Germany. More than 8,000 vacationists watched.

MORE SHIPS FOR ITALY

DECISION AGAINST AIRCRAFT CARRIERS

Rome. Adml. Cavignari, Under-Secretary for the Navy, to-day presented the Naval Estimates for the financial year which opens on July 1. He stated that they totalled £21,000,000 with an increase of £1,600,000 on those of the current year.

Thanks to the Duce, Italy would have approximately 700,000 tons of warships by 1941. The oldest would not have seen as much as 12 years' service.

Tonnage would be distributed as follows: Battleships, 240,000; cruisers, 160,000; lighter units, 180,000.

The considerable increase in battleship tonnage would greatly reinforce Italy's naval power. Further additions might yet be made between now and 1941.

SUBMARINE FLEET

Although Italy possessed the largest submarine fleet in the world she had not yet reached full capacity in this respect. Experience had enabled her to build submarines more quickly than other Powers. The reserve of personnel was ample. The Italian navy would be in a position to defend itself against the strongest aggressor.

Adml. Cavignari revealed that the Duce had decided not to build aircraft carriers with landing decks. Signor Mussolini was right once more, he said. The rapidity of technical progress in aircraft complicated the problem of landing decks and the efficiency of aircraft generally.

Italy's dockyard capacity was such that she could carry out her own programme and build ships for foreign States as well.

The Estimates were passed amid scenes of enthusiasm.

COMPARISON WITH BRITAIN

The Two Fleets in 1941

The year 1941 will witness the completion of the current British naval programme. This will bring the competent strength of the British Navy to about 1,780,000 tons.

The Italian battle fleet will then comprise four modern 35,000-ton ships, and four old vessels which have been reconstructed. This establishment will compare with nine modern British ships of 35,000 tons or more, plus 18 older vessels, most of which have been brought up to date.

Italy will have 10 modern cruisers as against 58 British vessels of the same type. Britain will have a numerical superiority in destroyers, the average tonnage of which is considerably above that of the Italian flotilla.

SUPER FLYING BOATS PLANNED

By Brydon Taves

United Press Staff Correspondent

New York.

THE vision of giant passenger airliners capable of spanning the Atlantic Ocean in half-a-day is no longer a dream of the future.

Designs for a transoceanic "super-clipper" so efficient that it is almost inconceivable even in terms of the relatively modern flying boats now cruising the Pacific, have just been completed by Seversky Aircraft Corporation engineers and submitted in competition with other designs to Pan American Airways.

If selected, the new sky-liners will be used to realise the long-awaited trans-Atlantic air service between Europe and the United States.

The Seversky "super-clipper" has been designed to carry a payload of 43,000 pounds, or over 20 tons, with a cruising range of 5,000 miles at a minimum cruising speed of 250 miles an hour and a top speed of over 300 miles an hour.

In other words, the giant flying-boats would be able to carry 120 passengers and cargo a distance equal to that from London to Delhi, India, or New York to Rio de Janeiro, without a stop. It could transport passengers from New York to England in a little over 12 hours.

Duplicating the United States government's plans for the construction of three ocean liners which could be quickly converted into aircraft carrier in time of war, the designs for the "super-clipper" provide for their transformation into bombing planes on short notice, when they theoretically would be capable of transporting a load of ten, 2,000-pound bombs from London to Australia in less than two days.

In wartime the projected airliners would be able to carry a fair-sized torpedo-boat slung under the central control cabin. This would effectively answer criticism levelled at aircraft in general because of their inability to enforce a blockade by stopping and searching vessels. The radical construction of the flying-boats would permit them to alight even in rough sea.

Designs for the "super-clippers" are different from anything heretofore projected in aircraft construction. In fact, the ships would consist of an enormous "flying-wing" of 250-foot span, attached to which are two large fuselages, or "out-riggers" which house retractable landing pontoons and support the tail surfaces.

STATEROOMS IN WINGS

Passengers' staterooms with private toilet facilities, promenade deck, dining room, smoking room, bar and other quarters would be installed in the wings and upper part of the fuselages.

The pontoons which, when retracted in flight, actually would form the lower surface of the two hulls, would store cargo and fuel. Special safety devices, including the super-charging of the entire interior of the flying-boats to maintain an air-pressure equivalent to that at 8,000 feet when the airplane is flying at 20,000, would eliminate discomfort and the possibility of fire and ignition troubles, Seversky officials said.

Eight engines, each rated at 2,000 horsepower but developing a total of 16,000 horsepower for take-off, would power the planes, according to the design.

Each engine would be completely housed in large nacelles which could accommodate two mechanics, so that servicing and repairs can be efficiently carried on while in flight. There would be two propellers forward and a central one aft of the engines, and along the trailing edge of the wing two more power plants, each equipped with a single engine.

CREW OF SIXTEEN

A crew of sixteen would be required to man the "super-clippers," according to specifications furnished Pan American Airways.

The pilot and his immediate assistant would be housed in a central control "bridge" forward and above the wing.

The "super-clipper," according to the specifications, would be constructed of shot-welded stainless steel, impervious to corrosion, and with excellent properties of strength, rigidity and proof against fire.

Completion of designs for the ship culminates 22 years of engineering and flying research and experience in the construction of all-metal high-speed planes by the Seversky organization.—United Press.

RADIO BROADCAST

Ettore Pellegatti From The Studio

ROTARY CLUB SPEECH

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s.; 9.02 m.c.s. per second.

H.K.T. 9.20-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

"Trial By Jury"; "For These Kind Words"; "When I, Good Friends.... Leo Sheffeld and Chorus; 'Swear Thou The Jury.... Arthur Hosking—George Baker—Derek Oldham—Leo Sheffeld and Male Chorus; 'Where Is The Plaintiff?... Arthur Hosking—George Baker—Winifred Lawson and Chorus of Bridgeton; 'The Yeomen Of The Guard'; 'Alas! I Waver To And Fro.... Nellie Brercliffe—Walter Glynn—Peter Dawson; 'Is Life A Boon?... Derek Oldham; Here's A Man Of Jolly.... Chorus; 'I Have A Song To Sing Of.... Winifred Lawson, George Baker and Chorus.

12.46 Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

Oriental Dance—Novelty Duet (C. White); Canbad Doll Dance (L. Peto); Dancer Of Seville (C. Grunow); The Two Imps (K. J. Alford).

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Variety Programme.

Vocal—"Me And My Girl"—Selection.... Teddie St. Denis, Lupino Lane, Wallace Lupino and Chorus with Orchestra; Piano Solo—Quick-sands—Slow Fox-Trot; Bob White—Quickstep.... Gerry Moore (Piano) with String Bass & Drums; Piano Solo—It's A Long, Long Way To Your Heart; Once In A While.... Leslie Hutchinson (Piano); Accordion Band—Little Anne—Waltz.... Who Cares?—Intermezzo.... Fungher's Accordion Melodians; Orchestra—Mal De Ausencia—Tango.... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with vocal refrain.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Rotary Tiffin Speech relayed from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Speaker: Professor I. Robertson, M.A. Subject: "Managed Money."

2.15 Close Down.

6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Mozart—Concerto No. 3 In G Major, K. 216.

Played by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and The Paris Symphony Orchestra conducted by George Enesco.

7.25 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.30 Russian Orchestral Music.

"Prince Igor"—Overture (Borodin).... Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Albert Coates; Prelude Slav; From Sunrise To Sunset; Beautiful Moon; Along Petrograd Road; Bake No Bread; Sleep My Baby; Moscow; Ballet from "Konik Gorbunok"; Russian Vagabonds; Theodore Katz, Director Salon Orch.; Russian Polka; (Michailowsky).... Russian Ballet Orchestra.

7.45 Studio—"Russian Lyrics" Recital by Mrs. R. Sanger (Soprano), accompanied by Mr. Gerald Sydney.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Barcarolle ("Tales Of Hoffmann"—Offenbach); Intermezzo (Coleridge-Taylor); Prelude (Haydn Wood); Turkey In The Strand (Gulon); Handel In The Strand (Granger); Mock Morris Dances (Granger); A Life On The Ocean (Nautical Selection—Blind).

8.30 London Relay—"Escape"—2.

First-hand accounts by prisoners of War—"What A Skeleton Key Will Do." A talk by Lt.-Col. M. C. C. Harrison.

9.0 Studio—Lalo Concerto—Ettore Pellegatti (Cello) and Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

"The Yeomen Of The Guard" (Sullivan); "The Sorcerer"—Selection (Sullivan); "Trial By Jury"—Selection (Sullivan).

10.07 Les Allen (Baritone) and Debroy Somers Band.

Northern And Southern Memories; Savoy Southern Memories.... Debroy Somers Band; When Did You Leave Heaven (From "Sing, Baby Sing"); I'll Sing You A Thousand Love Songs (From "Cain And Abel").... Les Allen; Ballroom Memories (No. 1 Waltzes).... Debroy Somers Band.

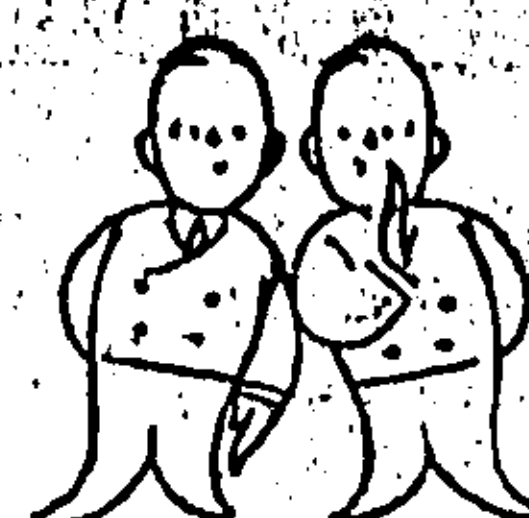
10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Goodnight To You All; No More You.... Jack Harris And His Orch., with vocal refrain; Tangos—Fortuna.... Firestorm; Robert Renard Dance Orch.; Fox-Trots—Can I Forget You (From "High, Wide & Handsome"); The Folks Who Live On The Hill (From "High, Wide & Handsome").... Roy Fox And His Orchestra, with vocal refrain; Stopt Your Breaking My Heart (From Artists & Models); Whispers In The Dark (From Artists & Models).

Roy Fox And His Orchestra with vocal refrain; That Old Feeling (From "Vogues of 1938"); Waltz—Symphony (From "Firefly").... Jay Wilbur And His Band with vocal chorus by Sam Costa.

11.0 Close Down.

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MIDDLESEX CRICKETERS HAD SUCCESSFUL SEASON

WON 17 GAMES OUT OF TOTAL OF NINETEEN

SOME PLAYERS MAY BE WORTH THEIR PLACES IN INTERPORT SIDE

(By "R. Abbi")

The figures of the regimental team of the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt. reached me a few days ago and I am much obliged for them. For some years in Hongkong I have found that in many Regiments cricket has somewhat gone to the wall, owing chiefly I imagine to the attractions of Association Football which is played unfortunately at the same time of year. There have been exceptions however, and the Koobies, the East Lancashires, the Seaforths and the Middlesex have all taken much interest in the game.

For a regimental side they have a surprisingly long list of fixtures and have won 17 games as against one lost and one drawn if the tally of the games is correct. The itemised list of them showed 10 wins of 18 played. The standard is somewhat hard to judge as I have no means of knowing what teams were fielded by the opposition but on the whole I cannot estimate it as above Junior Division form. True, they beat Craigengower but I am under the impression that the half-Shield-holders (if I may so term them) were by no means at full strength.

However, this is all beside the point—the fact that people or regiments are really keen on cricket is the great thing. As a matter of fact the side will have to be considered in several places—if I may use the phrase—supposing that events enable Shanghai to send us a team next year, or that we send one up there. I think there has been in most Hongkong sides at least one military representative—often several. From the Middlesex alone there may be more than one chosen. C. M. M. Man is to my mind almost a certainty for the post of stumper. There may be better wicket-keepers; there certainly are better bats. But there is no one who has such a combined level of usefulness. Then again, in the bowling where we are short so often, Pte. Hatfield struck me last season as the most useful of stock bowlers in the Colony. With a handy run and an easy delivery—so like that of dozens of professional cricketers—he can bowl a length for over an hour on end. He may not be brilliant but he is sound, and with a little extra coaching could very well serve a team as their stock bowler to hold an end down cheaply and to produce the occasional wicket.

OUTSTANDING BATSMEN

As batsmen there are no less than three players who would most certainly be tried in Trial games. There are probably more but I refer to the three whom I have seen playing for the Army where they have had to meet better bowling than in Regimental matches. Mr. P. Wedson should stand a very good chance if he could curb a tendency to let the ball too early in his innings. I am not so sure about the chances of J. G. Chilverall and L. C. Beadnell. Like the small girl, "when they are good they are very good and—!" But they are sometimes horrid. All the same a second season when used to the light and the wickets out here may show us an entirely different picture. My readers may ask me if I have forgotten Pte. Coombes—I have not, but I doubt if he would be successful against the better bats. I think Donald Lench or Stokes would

rather enjoy him—but I have no doubt he will get a trial.

AN INTERPORT!

I find on enquiry that, as I supposed, no steps have been taken yet with reference to an Interport match in November. It is Shanghai's turn to come here, and I imagine it would not be an unpleasant change for their team to enjoy the blessings of peace—(though complicated at times by a kicking wicket)—instead of the rather strained existence which one imagines is their portion at present. I, for one, sincerely hope that the game can be arranged.

OBITUARY

As I promised in my last week's article I am putting up a few notes on the names of those cricketers who died during 1937. I hardly remember a list which contains so many well-known names. The first of them is that of G. W. Beldam. He played for Middlesex for nearly ten years, and on occasion for the Gentlemen. I saw him but once or twice and my—very vague—recollection is that he was somewhat cramped in his style. He is, however, better known to the present generation of cricketers for his photographic work which was published in a book entitled "Great Batsmen", in which C. B. Fry wrote the descriptive letter-press for the photographs.

Another cricketer to pass over, whom I often saw in action, is Walter Brearley. He was shortish, of very powerful build, and sent down a tremendously fast ball with a run of only a few paces. He got his speed entirely with body-swing. He was one of the great fast bowlers of the early years of this century. Another of them, C. P. Buckenham the Essex professional, has also passed away. He was a brilliant bowler with a fluid sort of run and a graceful and easy delivery. I shall never forget seeing Gilbert Jessop at Lord's once, walking down the pitch to him occasionally and then bending back from the hips and cutting the fastest balls off his middle stump to the boundary. J. B. Challen has died also. His name is not so widely known but it is one to conjure with in Somerset and Devon. He was for many years a school-master and I think once Head of West Buckland School, near Exeter, though I may be mistaken in this. Another great West Country player, George Dennett has died. He bowled for over twenty years for Gloucester, and after fighting through the South African War, fought through the Great War, and retired as a Captain.

But I perceive that my space will not allow me to deal adequately with my subject and I must complete this article on Tuesday next.



VILLAGE BAND PLAYS BATTLESHIP HOME.—All the village turned out to welcome Battleship, the Grand National winner, on his return in his training quarters, Lambourn, Berkshire, while Bruce Hobbs, his jockey, also had a great reception.

Tennis Replay Fixed For To-Morrow

Weather permitting, the replay in the semi-finals of the Colony Tennis Singles Championship between Tsui Yun-pui and H. D. Rumjahn (holder) will be decided on the stand court of the Hongkong Cricket Club to-morrow. It is hoped to commence the match as soon after 4 p.m. as possible. The contestants have already met twice before, but each time no decision could be reached.

Fight Crowd Angry And Referee Had To Explain

Former Hongkong Boxer Involved

London, Mar. 31. Mr. Jack Smith, the Manchester referee, lectured the crowd at Hull last night when they roared disapproval because the seconds in the corner of Seaman Rowles (London) threw in the towel at the end of the fourth round of his contest with Darkie Ellis (Bridlington).

"It is no part of my job," he said, "to make a speech, and I don't make a practice of it, but I am quite satisfied that Rowles cannot go on. Both his eyes are badly cut and he cannot even see out of the left one. I have no complaint at all."

Rowles had suffered heavy punishment and his face was covered with blood. He was down for four just before the towel was thrown in.

(Rowles was a well-known figure in the local ring some years ago.)

Battleship Forces His Head Ahead And Wins Aintree Grand National

By The Scout (Cyril Luckinsh)

A little American racehorse named Battleship, who was thought too small for the Aintree ordeal, won the Grand National by a head for his seventeen-year-old rider Bruce Hobbs.

And he achieved this despite blundering and losing three lengths in a few fences from home.

Be with me and see the picture from the last fence.

Over three lengths in front of his only rival comes the hope of Ireland—Royal Danelli. Battleship is challenging boldly.

But "enemy No. 1" to both is the riderless Frenchman Takvor Pacha, who is leading them.

He veers first towards Royal Danelli, whose rider, Moore, gets anxious, and the Pacha switches over a bit and seems likely to trouble Battleship.

Young Hobbs has a man's head on his rapidly broadening shoulders. He pulls slightly aside without checking and on goes Battleship, making up ground all the time.

Can he do it? They're surely level now. "Royal Danelli" goes up in chorus from the thousands of Irishmen.

They're past the post—both riders turn speculatively towards each other. We wait.

Opinions are equally divided on this difficult-angled course, but I feel it is Battleship. Then numbers of "5-6-25" go into the frame.

A delay and then the verdict, "Head and bad."

Another Irish horse, Workman, was the "bad." Then came last year's runner-up, Coolen, my hope Delachance (who had also blundered, outpaced Red Knight II, and Blue Shirt (co-favourite with Coolen).

Only grey, Hopeful Hero, Under Bid, Bachelor Prince, Lough Cottage, Provocative and Drim also got the course. An exceptional number of thirteen—but it was a firm ground National.

Chasing Double

I still chuckle when I think that but for Mrs. Marion Scott's decision to let her horse attempt to win the English as well as the American National Battleship would have now been on his way to his owner's American stud!

Battleship's American National was over only three miles at Belmont Park.

"I know what a good game little chap he is," trainer Reg Hobbs had said to me, "but I somehow feel like it's asking him to chew off a bit too much. He only stands 15.2 and, after all, he's already been to the stud and got foals."

Once, however, Hobbs had been given his orders he saw to it that Battleship would be fit for the biggest test of his career. Really, Reg is even more a marvel than son Bruce.

And if Flying Minutes had not croaked himself recently Bruce would have ridden him in another American's colours.

I've seen many types of winning owners, but never before one like Mrs. Marion Scott.

As if Flying Minutes had not stuck some distance away from the unsaddling enclosure while Aintree

horses—who did not know who she was—were shouting themselves hoarse.

Hobbs seemed as puzzled as all of us, and Bruce told me later, as he came out fresh from the weighing-room. "I've never even SEEN Mrs. Scott."

With her American trainer and a few friends she sat immobile, and barely smiled when asked to "Exhibit joy." I do not think she failed to feel it, but the great occasion had engulfed this frail-looking, dark-faced woman.

She left for London immediately, missing to-night's usual celebrations. But I did get from her that "Battleship has won races from four furlongs to four and a half miles."

She will not now send Battleship home, but let Hobbs keep him—perhaps for another National.

Broke Blood Vessel

How few can win the National twice! Royal Mail broke a blood vessel this time, and Evon Williams had to pull him up. "I think he did it when he straddled the chair fence before the water. He was never going at all well after that," said he.

Mrs. Evans, Royal Mail's new owner, had braved the cold wind, and, though feeling weak, insisted on coming to see her 6,500 guinea purchase.

Take dazzling Airedale Sles next. Away in front he went, and seemed to be jumping beautifully. Suddenly we saw him topple over at the fence past Valentine's the first time round.

This was also the undoing of Stalbridge Park, but it was brought about mainly by Red Knight II, jumping the fence a bit across him.

Something had also jumped a bit in front of Donnick's Cross when he made his exit at the second jump. Few casualties so far, however, though Inverle was down at the first and Pontet had to be pulled up. Brighton Cottage went at the fourth fence.

Hit Becher's Hard

Next notable event was the upset of Takvor Pacha, who hit the top of Becher's hard. Kalley wobbled, tried to keep his seat, but touched "Mother Aintree" for the first time.

Naturally there were other spills before twenty survivors came to the water at the end of the first circuit.

Delachance had moved up ahead of Royal Danelli, Red Knight II, Rockquilla and Lough Cottage, with Dunhill Castle and Battleship heading the others.

As they turned to go back into the country once more one horse lay dead over the water—Canadian invader Rock Lad, who had collapsed with heart failure.

Ever-prominent Royal Danelli, one-paced Red Knight II, Delachance, natty Battleship, Workman and Rockquilla—all still doing their work so ably.

Dunhill Castle was beaten, Nicholson thought, when he fell at Becher's

Home Football

MILLWALL TAKE LEAD IN THIRD DIVISION

Changes Seen In Southern Section

London, Apr. 25. Millwall took the lead in the southern section of the Third Division in the English Football League to-day following their victory at home over Bournemouth by four goals to nil.

Millwall now lead Queen's Park Rangers and Watford by one point, each team having played 40 matches. In the northern section, the leaders, Tranmere and Doncaster were not engaged, but Hull took advantage of this to improve their position by beating York City.

East Fife, the Scottish Cup finalists, were beaten to-day in the Second Division of the Scottish League, losing to East Stirling by the odd goal in three.

Scores of to-day's matches were:

SECOND DIVISION

Chesterfield 2 Newcastle 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Millwall 4 Bournemouth 0

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading positions:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Millwall	40	21	0	9	76	39	52
Queen's P.R.	40	21	0	9	74	43	51
Watford	40	20	11	9	70	41	51
Bristol C.	38	18	12	8	60	38	48
Brighton	39	20	8	11	60	40	48

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

The following are the leading positions:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Barrow	0	Accrington	0				
Bradford C.	1	Gateshead	0				
Hull	2	Lincoln	0				
Hull	3	York	1				
Oldham	2	New Brighton	1				
Wrexham	0	Carlisle	0				

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading positions:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tranmere	39	21	0	9	78	40	51
Hull	39	19	12	8	60	39	50
Doncaster	39	20	10	9	70	40	49
Oldham	39	18	13	9	64	43	49

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (SECOND DIVISION)

East Stirling 2 East Fife 1

—Reuter.

Pennink Gets Through First Round

English Amateur Golf Championship

London, Apr. 25. The first round of the English Amateur Golf Championship was played at Moortown, Leeds, to-day.

Pennink, the holder, beat Greenhugh of Turton by 5 and 3.

The first surprise of the tournament was the defeat of Stanley Lunt of Mosley, the 1934 winner, by Haslam of Moortown by one up.

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BABY MORE IMPORTANT THAN WIMBLEDON TO DOROTHY ROUND

Tennis Star May Resume Play In 1939

(Sunday Chronicle Special Correspondent)

Dudley (Worce.), Mar. 26.

Being Mrs. D. L. Little and a mother means more to Dorothy Round, Britain's No. 1 tennis player, than triumphing at Wimbledon.

While the world-famous championships are being played this summer Dorothy Round will be nursing a new life.

Late in June or early in July, the British champion, now Mrs. D. L. Little, wife of a Dudley doctor, is expecting a baby.

"What I will miss most of all is the comradeship of tennis players from all parts of the world, but there will be other things to occupy my mind," Mrs. Little told me to-day.

"Baby's clothes, for instance. Already I've got most of the tiny garments finished."

"Perhaps I will manage to see many of my old friends at the Wimbledon Cup matches on June 10 and 11."

WOMAN'S WIMBLEDON THIS YEAR

"No one will tune in to the wireless commentaries more eagerly than myself. I shall follow every stroke made."

"Wimbledon, I hope, will see me again in 1939. I shall resume my tennis in county matches towards the end of this year."

I asked for Miss Round's opinions on Britain's prospects for Wimbledon. As an onlooker, she was able to speak her mind candidly.

"I am not too optimistic," she said. "In face of the strong American challenge, I hardly think the British representatives will carry off many honours."

"Perhaps our leading woman will be Mary Hardwick. She has a beautiful orthodox style which can be very effective."

"Then there's Kay Stammers. You never know what Kay is going to do. If she could be as consistently brilliant over a fortnight as for two or three days, I should fancy her chances of winning the championship."

"One of Peggy Scriven's great assets is her fighting spirit."

"The Wimbledon Cup selectors have their eye on Jean Saunders, who has come to the forefront in the last two years. I predict she will give a fine show at Wimbledon."

SPORT ADVTs.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 7th May, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 28th April, 1939.

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"This season may also bring into further prominence a number of promising youngsters. Among them are Jean Nicoll, who is 15, and Rosemary Thomas."

HOT FAVOURITE

More than ever before, according to Miss Round, Wimbledon, 1939, is going to be a woman's Wimbledon.

The great personality will be Mrs. Helen Willis-Moody, who returns after three years' absence.

"It will be interesting to see how her play now compares with her standard three years ago."

Miss Round summed up other women challengers.

Helen Jacobs (U.S.): Experienced player with determination and concentration. She never loses until the last point is played.

Alice Marble (U.S.): Many people thought she would win last year. How lovely she looks on the court with her short shorts and jockey cap!

Miss J. Jedrejowska (Poland): She has the hardest drive of any woman in the game.

Senorita Lizana (Chile): She will be a very hot favourite. Vital and vivacious, she has terrific speed.

Miss Round looked at her watch. "It's time I went shopping for my 'It's time' dinner," she remarked.

"Remember, I'm the busy wife of a doctor now."

"The Baby? Of course, I want a boy."

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Double Wedding" (King's Theatre, to-day).—This picture does not make sense for a single instant, but who cares about sense anyway when we have two favourites like William Powell and Myrna Loy back with us again? There is a faint suggestion of grown-ups dressing up and playing a rowdy game to amuse us, but it is good, rough fun and guaranteed to be entertaining. All the ingredients of a good comedy, including word-slipping and face-slapping have been incorporated. It is a swell film.

"Spring Parade" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—A picture with German dialogue, but can be easily followed as it has English superimposed titles. Produced by Joe Pasternak, with a cast headed by Franciska Gaal, Paul Horbiger, Wolf Albach-Retty. Franciska Gaal will be remembered here for her work in "The Buccaneer" opposite Frederic March. She sings in a setting of old Vienna.

"Mad About Music" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—The little girl who became Hong Kong's most popular star on the strength of two pictures is back again in a show which is calculated to charm and captivate all who see it. She gives further evidence here of her wonderful personality and fine voice. This film should not be missed. A fine supporting cast which includes Herbert Marshall, Arthur Treacher, Phil Patrick and William Fraxley help the show along.

"Thin Ice" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—The former skating champion of the world, who was so popular in "One in a Million," wins further applause here. Sonja Henie this time is teamed up with Tyrone Power. Others in support are Arthur Treacher, Raymond Walburn and Joan Davis.

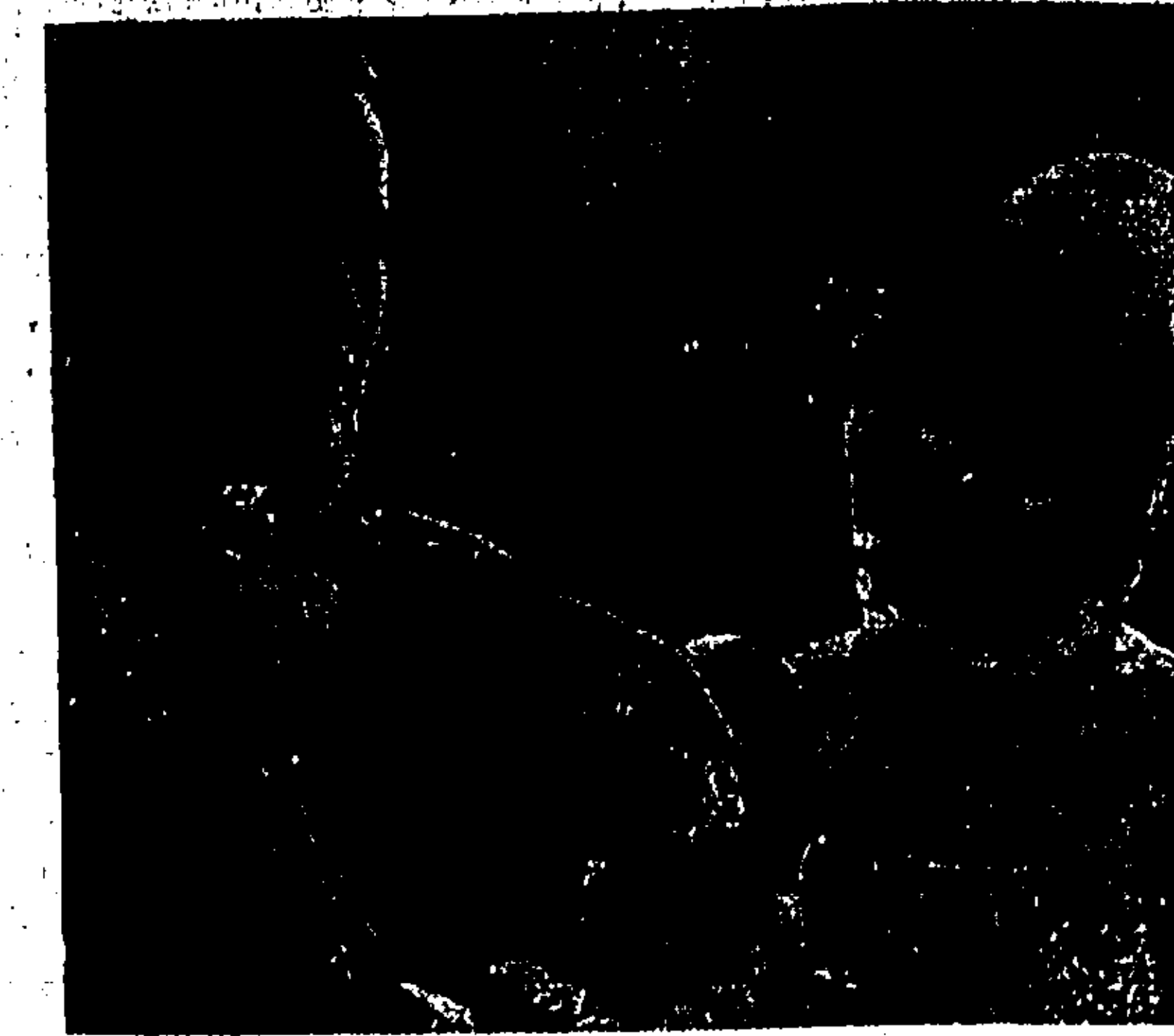
"Big City" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Spencer Tracy and Luise Rainer, winners of last year's Academy awards, together in one of the best pictures of the year. It is a splendid film, full of pathos, but punctuated with moments of delightful comedy.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

New York, Apr. 25. Mr. Samuel Reshevsky retained the American Chess championship to-day with a score of 13 points. Mr. Ruben was a close second, with 12.5 points. The two met in the final round and played a draw. —Reuter Special.

REFEREES FIX DATE FOR THE GENERAL MEETING

The Hongkong Football Referees' Association, at its last meeting of the season in Holland House last night, approved a proposal that the Extraordinary General Meeting be held on September 12.



Lealle Ferrine and Nova Pilbeam in a scene from "Nine Days a Queen," GB production coming to the King's Theatre to-morrow.

Board Can Stamp Out Boxing Boos

HELP THE REFEREE

By The Old Guard

London, Mar. 30. Boiling at the end of boxing contests is now so frequent that it has become a public nuisance.

These objections are not only spoiling the sport, but the entertainment of many people, and their noisy disapproval is both unsporting and unfair.

The latest uproar at the N.S.C. on Monday night when Harry Mizler received a points verdict over Harry Craster was not justified, since Mizler hit with the knuckle part of the glove as required by the rules.

Cuffing, or hitting with the inside of the glove, is an offence, and if a referee did his duty fearlessly he would disqualify 80 per cent. of present-day boxers. This is no exaggeration.

I fail to understand why referees are not permitted to instruct M.C.s to explain to those who boo why and how decisions are given.

If this were done it would stop these demonstrations. It would not only enlighten the public but also the boxers and so help them to correct their faults.

My view is that there are no more than 20 per cent. of present-day professionals who use the knuckle part of the glove and hit correctly.

ENGLISH RACING

Probable Starters In Thousand Guineas

London, Apr. 25.

Probable starters in the Thousand Guineas are:

Sly Abbeys (Weston), Night Bird (Lowrey), Sweet Corn (E. Smith), Laughing Water (Stephenson), Rock-fel (Harry Wragg), Calibre (Perryman), Mrs. Tickell (Wells), Miss Miracle (Marshall), Madine (Bartlam), Ocean Base (Beary), High Tide (Crouch), Karavina (Blackshaw), Ann of Austria (Smalke), St. Afarala (D. Smith), Lapel (Carslake), Scotia's Glen (Jones), Dialectic (Pat Heasley), Gaiety (Sirett), and with no jockeys selected yet, Solar Flower, Clever Sarah, Lali, Radiant, Miss Parasoil, Loventor and Balach.—Reuter.

Derby Call-Over

London, Apr. 25.

The call-over for the Derby was as follows:

Port Marneock 100 to 12, t and o. Pasch 19 to 2, t and o. Tahir 10 to one, offered. Scottish Union 100 to 9, offered. Ramtapa 100 to 9, offered. Golden Sovereign 100 to 7, t and o. Glenloam 100 to 6, offered. Khan Bahadur 100 to 6, offered. Unbreakable 33 to one o, 40 to one t.

Two Thousand Guineas

The call-over for the Two Thousand Guineas was as follows:

Port Marneock 7 to 2, t and o. Pasch 19 to 2, t and o. Mizra 18 to 2, t and o. Scottish Union 8 to one offered. Ramtapa 100 to 9, offered. Khan Bahadur 100 to 6, offered. Rafano 100 to 7 o, 100 to 6 t. Glenloam 20 to one, offered. Pound Foolish 20 to one, offered.—Reuter.

The Chairman, Mr. G. Finch presided, assisted by the Secretary, Mr. D. Kossick.

Mr. E. D. Smith was recommended to take the place of Mr. Kossick who, it is understood, will be leaving the Colony on a long holiday after September.

It was decided at the meeting that the Free Press be approached for a football game with the Hongkong Referees on May 6.

Volunteers Show Fine Marksmanship

Blake Shield Won By A.A. Company

The Volunteers' Rifle Meeting was held at the Kowloon City Ranges on Sunday, April 24. Shooting began shortly after 9 o'clock under ideal conditions, excellent visibility and a cool steady wind. The first hour was reserved for practice shots and the 655 pool competition proved very popular and profitable for the winners, a dividend of over three dollars being paid.

At 10 o'clock the Corps Championship began on A Range, together with the principal team event, the Blake Shield Competition, which is shot for concurrently with the individual event. The Francis Cup was competed for on B Range at the same time. The conclusion of the morning's shooting found No. 2 (Scottish) M. G. Company winners of the Francis Cup, with the A.A. Company and No. 3 M. G. Company close on their heels, while the Portuguese were also doing very well in the individual events. Tiffin was served in the H.K.R.A. Club-room, kindly lent for the occasion.

Rain, delayed the start in the afternoon. The remainder of the events were held under distinctly adverse conditions, the heavy rain rendering visibility at 500 yards difficult. Under the circumstances, the A.A. Company put up a remarkably fine performance, winning the Blake Shield easily, with a lead of more than 50 points over their nearest opponents. They also secured the first two places in the Musketry Competition and all three in the Corps Championship, L/Cpl Ribeiro finishing with a very fine score, considering the weather conditions.

The "B" Class went to Pte. Stott of the Armoured Car Company and the "C" Class to Pte. Watts of No. 1 M. G. Company. The Revolver Competition was won by Pipe-Major Mackie with a score which will stand as a record for some considerable time.

The Results

The results were as follows: Blake Shield—1. A.A. Company (Sgt. Baleros, L/Cpl. Xavier, L/Cpl. Ribeiro, L/Cpl. D'Aquino), 343 pts.; 2. No. 2 M. G. Coy. (Major Forsyth, Lt. Brown, Pipe-Major Mackie, Pipe-Major), 222 pts.; 3. No. 1 M. G. Coy. (Captain Owen-Hughes, Lt. Holmes, Pte. Oliphant, Pte. Hammond), 208 pts.; 4. A.A. Company (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 205 pts. Twenty-five teams competed. Francis Cup—1. No. 2 M. G. Coy. (Major)

Forsyth, Lt. Brown, Pipe-Major Mackie, Pipe-Major), 139 pts.; 2. A.A. Company (Sgt. Baleros, L/Cpl. Xavier, L/Cpl. Ribeiro, L/Cpl. D'Aquino), 125 pts.; 3. No. 3 Company (Captain Urquhart, Sgt. White, Cpl. Quah, Cpl. Rowe), 133 pts.; 4. No. 1 Company (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 110 pts.; 5. No. 1 M. G. Coy. (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 110 pts.; 6. No. 2 M. G. Coy. (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 91 pts. Twenty-five teams competed.

Falling Plate Competition—1. No. 3 M. G. Coy. (Major Forsyth, Lt. Brown, Pipe-Major Mackie, Pipe-Major), 139 pts.; 2. No. 2 M. G. Coy. (Lt. D'Aquino, Lt. Ribeiro, C.S.M. Baptista, Sgt. Remedios), 125 pts.; 3. A.A. Company, 10.

Twenty-two teams competed. Musketry Competition—1. Sgt. Baleros (A.A. Coy.), 91; 2. Sgt. Baleros (A.A. Coy.), 91; 3. L/Cpl. D'Aquino (A.A. Coy.), 85; 4. Captain Stewart (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 87; 5. Lt. Brown (No. 2 M. G. Coy.), 85; 6. Pte. Silva (A.A. Coy.), 82; 7. Lt. Holmes (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 82; 8. Pte. Schabert (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 80; 9. L/Cpl. Ribeiro (A.A. Coy.), 77; 10. Cpl. Quah (No. 3 M. G. Coy.), 77; 11. Cpl. Rowe (No. 3 M. G. Coy.), 77; 12. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 13. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 14. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 15. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 16. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 17. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 18. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 19. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 20. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 21. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 22. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 23. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 24. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 25. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77.

Revolver Competition—1. Pipe-Major Mackie (No. 3 Coy.), 20; 2. Sgt. Lockhart (Engineers), 18; 3. Lt. Dolman (No. 1 Coy.), 17; 4. Pte. Hammond (No. 2 Coy.), 16; 5. Pte. Brett (A.A. Coy.), 15.

Pam Barton Beaten In Play-Off

Jubilee Cup Golf At Sandy Lodge

By Eleanor E. Helme

London, Mar. 23. Miss Audrey Regnart won the Jubilee Cup at the Sandy Lodge open meeting, after a tie with Miss Pam Barton at 70.

Three years ago Miss Regnart also tied, but lost on the last nine holes. Yesterday, as her card was the same as Miss Barton's over the last nine, the last six, and the last three, the two were sent out again to play three holes, or, if these produced no decision, five holes. On these five, Miss Regnart won with 22 strokes to Miss Barton's 23.

The ex-Middlesex champion has improved steadily throughout the winter. She hits the ball a long way without great apparent effort. Sandy Lodge was in perfect order, and Miss Regnart, despite three-putting at the first and eighth holes, was out in 30.

She had a 3 at the 15th and was within a couple of inches of the same figure at the 18th. The approach putt at the 17th narrowly missed the hole, and at the 18th, where she was short from the tee, she put another good chip stone dead to be home in 40.

BORROWED A PUTTER

Miss Barton found that her putter, with which she was practising the night before, had been left behind, but she was steady enough with a borrowed one. In addition to indifferent approaching, she was inclined to explore either side of the course in turn, but she did not find serious trouble in these little excursions.

Miss Barton nearly holed a five-yard putt for a 2 at the 3rd, but at the 7th, she under-clubbed and took a 4. She repeating that figure at two other short holes—the 19th and the 18th. Against those slips must be set her 2 at the 15th.

In the tie holes Miss Barton was in the rough on both sides of the fairway at the 1st, but she and Miss Regnart each had a 5. At the 2nd, she holed a four-yard putt for a 4, after Miss Regnart had nearly sunk after one rather longer for a three. At the short 3rd, Miss Regnart's tee shot almost hit the pin, but over ran the green, and she could do no better than a 4, also shared by Miss Barton.

At the 4th, Miss Barton's drive was bunkered and Miss Regnart rolled in a tricky downhill putt to gain a stroke. She looked like losing the lead at the next with a pulled second, but Miss Barton followed her, and the cup went to Miss Regnart. Details:

Scratch Challenge Cup—Miss A. Regnart (79) wins tie from Miss P. Barton (79); Miss D. Wilkins 82, Miss Dix-Perkin 84, Lady Edliss 85.

Junior Scr. Prize—Mrs. Leonard 82, Miss Ilye 84, Miss Woodman 85. Senior Scr. Prizes—Mrs. Barton (2), Miss Fiona Morris (9), 78, 2. Junior H'cap Prizes—Mrs. Preston (10) 76; Miss R. M. Evans (23) 70, 2. Partners' Better-Ball—Mrs. Castello and Miss R. M. Evans 65; 2. 11-Hole Foursomes—Mrs. Ian Lucas and Miss Pearson, after a tie with Mrs. Wooliam and Mrs. Bostock, 2 up.

Forsyth, Lt. Brown, Pipe-Major Mackie, Pipe-Major), 139 pts.; 2. A.A. Company (Sgt. Baleros, L/Cpl. Xavier, L/Cpl. Ribeiro, L/Cpl. D'Aquino), 125 pts.; 3. No. 3 Company (Captain Urquhart, Sgt. White, Cpl. Quah, Cpl. Rowe), 133 pts.; 4. No. 1 Company (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 110 pts.; 5. No. 1 M. G. Coy. (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 110 pts.; 6. No. 2 M. G. Coy. (Pte. Stott, Pte. Watts), 91 pts. Twenty-five teams competed.

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Twenty-two teams competed. Musketry Competition—1. Sgt. Baleros (A.A. Coy.), 91; 2. Sgt. Baleros (A.A. Coy.), 91; 3. L/Cpl. D'Aquino (A.A. Coy.), 85; 4. Captain Stewart (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 87; 5. Lt. Brown (No. 2 M. G. Coy.), 85; 6. Pte. Silva (A.A. Coy.), 82; 7. Lt. Holmes (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 82; 8. Pte. Schabert (No. 1 M. G. Coy.), 80; 9. L/Cpl. Ribeiro (A.A. Coy.), 77; 10. Cpl. Quah (No. 3 M. G. Coy.), 77; 11. Cpl. Rowe (No. 3 M. G. Coy.), 77; 12. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 13. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 14. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 15. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 16. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 17. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 18. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 19. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 20. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 21. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 22. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 23. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 24. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77; 25. Cpl. Stott (A.A. Coy.), 77.

Revolver Competition—1. Pipe-Major Mackie (No. 3 Coy.), 20; 2. Sgt. Lockhart (Engineers), 18; 3. Lt. Dolman (No. 1 Coy.), 17; 4. Pte. Hammond (No. 2 Coy.), 16; 5. Pte. Brett (A.A. Coy.), 15.

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New Order May Drive Boxers Away From The Philippines

Andre Shelaeff Likely To Go To Australia

Manila, P.I., Apr. 26.

Andre Shelaeff, who has his Oriental welterweight boxing championship back and doesn't know what to do with it, may leave for greener pastures in Australia soon.

The reason is an order by President Manuel L. Quezon of the Philippines Commonwealthe prohibiting the staging of professional fights in Rizal Memorial Stadium, in which the government owns an interest.

President Quezon pointed out the stadium, one of the finest in the Far East, was built primarily for the promotion of amateur athletics.

Seating some 12,000 persons, it is the only stadium in Manila capable of handling the crowds attracted by Shelaeff, who arrived as an unknown from Shanghai last fall and quickly became a promoters' dream-man as a colourful welterweight champion.

The Russian-born Shanghai slugger lost his title in March in an upset bout with Kid Vicente, self-styled "Cebu Caveman." Unable to fight a return match in Rizal Stadium, the pair went to Bacolod, where Shelaeff regained his crown with a third-round knockout.

AUSTRALIAN OFFER

The champion is said to have received an offer to meet Jack Carroll, leading Australian welterweight. With no place to fight here, he seems inclined to accept.

His manager, Heinrich Seelig, has taken under his wing Joey Rosenberg, former Golden Gloves flyweight champion who is said to have received a \$5,000 offer to meet Benny Lynch, the world champion in London.

Rosenberg, who says he has lost only two of his 70 professional fights, may accompany Seelig and Shelaeff to Australia and then proceed to

London. He has beaten some of the world's better flyweights including Jackie Jurich, Lou Salica, and Speedy Dado.

The ban on professional fights in Rizal Stadium appears likely to send other boxers away from Manila. Among them are Star Frisco, claimant to the Orient's bantamweight championship, and Kid Moro, veteran Filipino who recently arrived from Honolulu after years of campaigning there. Both are tentatively planning to sail for Honolulu. —United Press.

LADIES AT THE HELM

Kittiwake First Home In Corinthian Race

Kittiwake, sailed by Miss P. M. King, was first in the Ladies' Corinthian Race held yesterday by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club for "A" and "Y" class yachts over a course of 7.3 miles. The yachts started at 14.45. Full results were:

	Finished	Corrd.	Pos.
Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King)	16.25.02	—	1
Ariem (Miss P. M. King)	16.25.02	—	2
Artemis (Miss M. Whitlam)	16.25.02	—	3
Jean (Mrs. V. V. V. V.)	16.25.02	—	4
La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	16.25.02	—	5
True Blue (Miss J. L. Smith)	16.25.02	—	6
Widgeon (Miss J. L. Smith)	16.25.02	—	7
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Labour Gives Its Terms For Unity with Government

By IAN MACKAY

THE terms on which the Labour Party would be prepared to co-operate in a real National Government were laid down by Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P., at a great demonstration in the Cambridge Theatre, London, recently.

"All sorts of speculations," he said, "are proceeding in political quarters as to the kind of Government that would succeed if the Premier resigned.

"It is possible, if such changes occur, that representatives of the Labour Party will be approached for an indication of their attitude.

"I would sacrifice every single political advantage the Labour Party has got out of the blunderings of the Government in foreign policy if Ministers would utilise the great influence of Britain for the building of a peaceful world.

ALARMED AND DISTURBED

"I still say so. But the members of the Conservative Party and others who are alarmed and disturbed about the Prime Minister's policy and who might be involved in the making of a new Government must understand this: the Labour Party cannot adopt an attitude of benevolence towards any Government in its foreign policy if that foreign policy does not include an openly proclaimed willingness and intention to co-operate in the organisation of peace and international justice with every country in the world willing so to co-operate.

"There must be no inhibitions created by political prejudice, no unwillingness to co-operate with Soviet Russia any more than we on our side would refuse to negotiate with Fascist Germany provided they were genuinely negotiating for peace.

"We ask for friendly co-operation to be promoted with the United States of America, even though the United States remains outside the League of Nations.

"An aid test of the genuineness of the foreign policy of any new Government would be its attitude to Spain. The British attitude to the struggle in Spain has been a scandal from the very beginning.

"In this crisis, and whatever political changes may follow, Labour must not hold itself cheaply, and must be ready to fight this or any other Government that pursues policies which represent betrayals of freedom to Fascism, of civilisation to the warmongers, and of British security to international capitalism.

"To the people of Germany, Italy, Japan and other countries under the iron heel of Fascism I would extend the friendliest greetings of the British people. It is monstrous that they should be threatened by their Governments with a bloody conflict with the people of Britain and of other countries who have no quarrel with them."

Mr. Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, said: "The dictators have been playing a game with Chamberlain. They kept him talking while they were acting."

It was entirely untrue to allege that the Labour Party wanted to go to war. Their passionate desire was to prevent war. The democracies of

Europe were now being attacked. If they allowed all the fortresses of liberty to be captured one by one did they think this country could ultimately survive?

The European situation and Labour's view of what should be done were subsequently discussed at important meetings of the National Council of Labour, the Labour Party Executive and the General Council of the T.U.C. Special delegate conferences of the whole movement are being discussed in Labour circles.

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JAPANESE PLANES BOMB CHUCHOW

Kinhwa, April 26.

Chuchow, in western Chekiang, was subjected to a severe bombardment by three Japanese planes from a base of Chinhal, northeast of Ningpo, yesterday. Altogether 28 bombs were unloaded. —Central News.

SEVERAL KILLED IN PENGTEH AIR RAID

Nanchang, April 26.

Several Chinese civilians were killed and wounded yesterday when three Japanese planes released bombs in the vicinity of Pengteh, in northern Kiangsi. —Central News.

T-MAN IDEA POPULAR

PASADENA, Cal.—Half a dozen Southern California cities have followed Pasadena's example in appointing squads of "T-men." These consist of citizens representing various civic organizations who take the licence number of every person seen violating traffic regulations and report him to the city's Safety Council.

INSURGENTS ON TORTOSSA FRONT



FRANCO'S CAVALRY marches into action on the Tortossa front, where Loyalists are bitterly fighting the insurgents' advance.

STOP PRESS NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

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HONGKONG JUNK PIRATED

Another daring junk piracy has been reported to the Hongkong police, the owner of junk No. 449, registered in this Colony, having lost a cargo of wolfram ore valued at \$685 as a result.

The junk was seized by a gang of nine armed men, who overtook it in a speedy, smaller vessel in Blas Bay. The Hongkong junk was hove to when a fusillade of shots was fired at it from the pirate craft, and it remained in their possession for several hours while the cargo was transferred.

The pirates later sailed away in the direction of To Ling, in Chinese territory.

YOUNG CANTON MAN STABBED

Chau Man's first introduction to Hongkong proved a painful one. He arrived here from Canton by express train at midnight last night and within four hours was in Kowloon Hospital, with serious throat wounds inflicted with a pair of scissor blades.

Immediately after arriving in the Colony, Chau, aged 19, went to a tenement in Fai Yuen Street, Mongkok, where he is stated to have become involved in a quarrel with one of the residents.

When Chau departed he is alleged to have been followed by a man. A fight ensued, and a pair of scissor blades were produced by Chau's assailant. Police, who have been given an accurate description of the man, expect to make an early arrest.

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July	8.88/85	8.87/88
October	8.93/84	8.95/85
December	8.98/86	8.97/88
Jan. (1939)	8.99/89	8.99/89
Mar. (1939)	9.07/07	9.07/07
Spot		8.85

The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 20.

New York Rubber

	12.30/25	12.27/27
May	12.48-49	12.41b/43a
July	12.70-00	12.60b/61a
September	12.85/88	12.84/84
December		13.00N

Sales for the day: 3,890 tons.

Chicago Wheat

	83 3/4/84	82 1/2/82 1/2
May	81 1/2/81	80 1/2/80 1/2
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In order to assist dealers and others who require considerable quantities of these stamps for "first day covers," supplies in complete sheets of 120 stamps only will be available at the Chief Accountant's Office, first floor, Post Office Building, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. to-day. The stamps will not be valid for postage until to-morrow.

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July	50 1/2/50 1/2	58 1/2/58
September	51 1/2/51 1/2	

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CHINESE REGAIN LOST TERRITORY

JAPANESE RETREAT ON TANCHENG

Onslaught on Pih sien Effectively Checked

Hsuehchow, Apr. 26.
The Chinese armies in Shantung are working on a new plan of strategy, a high staff officer reveals. The Japanese had taken Tancheng, he admitted, 25 kilometres south-east of Taierchwang, but have not been able to advance further as a result of the counter-attacks from the Chinese.

Lufang, 8 kilometres north-west of Tancheng, was recaptured by the Chinese forces in a counter-attack on the afternoon of April 24. The Japanese retreated to Tancheng.

Yesterday the Chinese forces pressed toward the north-west suburbs of Tancheng and are reported to be nearing the city.

On the Pih sien front fighting is in progress at Lienfangshan, Panputien, Hupishan, points about 10 kilometres north of the town. Assisted by bombing planes and heavy artillery, the Japanese troops have launched several onslaughts, attempting to push on to the town, but have been repulsed by the Chinese forces under the command of General Tang En-po.—*Central News*.

Ambitious Attack

Tungshan, Apr. 26.
In the most ambitious Chinese attack since the commencement of the war, General Sun Lien-chung, who lost Ninghsien but was the hero of the Tairchwang victory, and who once was a divisional commander under General Feng Yu-shiang, has slammed all his strength up the Tachow Railway and advanced to the little village of Samliheng yesterday.

Despite their inferior artillery, the Chinese laid down a heavy barrage. The flash of the guns stabbed cruelly, and the countryside rocked crazily, the hills re-echoing as though to the beat of some monstrous wild man's drum in a gigantic cave.

The chief obstacle to this drive, which is still continuing, is a semi-circle of hills on which the Japanese are clinging behind small stone towers.

Meanwhile, however, the Japanese have chased a badly chewed force from Tancheng to Pih sien, 15 miles above the Lungtai railway, and are evidently intending to drive for Hanchow. But while Chinese units are holding above the Lungtai line, others are expected to attack the Japanese rear.

The present battle is to make or break. It is the wildest jumble ever seen in China. The staff work is confined to positional jockeying, to massing of troops at weak points, an important factor from the Chinese point of view, for they must nullify (Continued on Page 4.)

North China Industries To Be Controlled

Peiping, Apr. 26.
The Yung Pao publishes a Domei story reiterating the assertion that the North China industries must be strictly controlled in order to prevent them from competing with those of Japan and Manchukuo.

The newspaper says that to this end, the Japanese intend to form at least seven huge companies which will operate and control the seven major industries in North China, in accordance with this policy. The industries mentioned are communications, harbour works, telephones, telegraph, electricity, iron, coal and salt.—*United Press*.

CHINESE STRIKE NEAR NANKING

Fanchang, April, 26.
A Chinese guerilla unit is reported to be pressing toward Molingkwang, about 25 kilometres south of Nanking.—*Central News*.

TERAUCHI NOT RECALLED

Denies China's Claim Of Victories

Shanghai, Apr. 26.
General Count Terauchi, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese expeditionary forces in North China, to-day ridiculed foreign press reports that he is to be recalled by Tokyo, and to be held responsible for the alleged defeat of the Japanese forces in southern Shantung, according to Japanese reports from Peiping.

The General categorically denied the Chinese claims of victory in southern Shantung.—*Reuter Special*.

FRENCH MINISTERS TO DINE AT WINDSOR

London, April 26.
M. Eduard Daladier, French Premier, and M. Georges Bonnet, Foreign Minister, will lunch with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister at 10, Downing Street, on Thursday. The French Ministers will dine and spend the night at Windsor Castle on Thursday night, and on Friday will lunch with Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary. They will leave on their return to Paris later in the day.—*British Wireless*.

Customs Issues In Shanghai Now Settled

Agreement Between Britain And Japan

Tokyo, Apr. 26.
Following protracted Anglo-Japanese negotiations, an agreement has been reached on the outstanding Shanghai Customs issues, and it is reported the agreement will be initiated on Saturday morning. Copies of it are being sent to France, the United States and other countries. According to Japanese reports, it is agreed that the "Reformed Government" of Central China will appoint a Chinese official superintendent in Shanghai. Payments on foreign loans will be made on the basis of actual revenues derived by various sources in Japanese controlled territories at the termination of the China Incident. The revenues will be deposited with the Yokohama Specie Bank.—*Reuter*.

U.S. Exports Expand

Imports Shrink By Millions

Washington, Apr. 26.
The Department of Commerce announced to-day that for the first three months of 1938, exports amounted to \$227,781,000, an increase of \$115,426,000 above the corresponding period of 1937. Imports were \$207,044,000, a decrease of \$318,582,000. This showed a favourable trade balance of \$320,737,000 compared with an unfavourable balance of \$113,271,000. The March exports of \$275,711,000 were five per cent. above February and seven per cent. above the March figures of 1937. Imports for March were \$173,405,000, which were six per cent. above February and 44 per cent. below March of last year.—*United Press*.

H.K. JUNK SET ON FIRE BY JAPANESE; 16 FEARED DEAD

Master Rescued After 36 Hours In Sea

Sixteen Chinese members of a Hongkong junk, including the five-year-old son and three-year-old daughter of the owner, Leung Kai, are feared dead as the result of an outrage allegedly perpetrated by Japanese blockaders near Hongkong waters on April 20. Leung Kai, master of the vessel, is believed to be the only survivor. He was picked up by another junk, after floating, tied to a spar, for over 36 hours. Leung was in a semi-conscious condition then. In a report to the police, Leung, who is now in hospital suffering from shock and exposure, stated that his ship was boarded by Japanese from a destroyer whilst 200 yards off Po Chak Hoi, in Chinese territory. After the vessel was ransacked, the sails were slashed and thrown overboard. An altercation ensued and, reports Leung, the Japanese seized his son and daughter and threw them overboard. The ship was then set afire.

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Tension Increases in Czecho-Slovakia



REST BETWEEN BATTLES
In a brief lull on the Shantung fighting front, these veterans of the Chinese army take a little rest among the shell-torn ruins of a village near Yih sien, scene of severest fighting recently. Note the young trumpeter in right foreground.

INSURGENT PLANES SPREAD DEATH IN CITIES OF SPAIN

Hendaye, Apr. 25.
Twenty insurgent bombers, under the protection of 40 fighting machines, bombed Valencia and Castellon to-day and killed more than 100 people in Valencia. It is feared that the Castellon casualties are also high, although they have not yet been determined.

In the Valencia harbour, the British ships Stan Lake and Celtic Star were hit, and they are reported to be sinking. At least one of the crews was killed and three wounded.

Valencia, rescuers worked by the light of fires caused by incendiary bombs.

LOYALIST FORCES RALLIED

Meeting Insurgent Pressure With New Confidence

London, April 26.

Although despatches from the insurgent headquarters at Saragossa claim that with the improvement in the weather General Francisco Franco's troops are continuing to advance northeast from Teruel and along the Mediterranean coast from Castellon de la Plana, the Loyalists are now stated to have recovered from their recent collapse. They claim to be holding the insurgents everywhere.

The Loyalist positions on the eastern front, along the Ebro and Segre and other rivers, and in the mountains, are said to be occupied by spirited troops under confident commanders, who are pressing forward with the work of re-organisation and fortification. In some cases they are throwing up defence works miles from the front to ensure against further surprises.

Behind the Loyalist lines confidence is reviving, despite Barcelona's completely darkened streets, due to the insurgents' capture of the Tremp power station and the shutting off of this source of supply.—*Reuter*.

HEADQUARTERS MOVED

Madrid, Apr. 26.
The headquarters of the International Brigade at Albaceta was dissolved yesterday. The headquarters had been stationed at Albaceta since 1936. All recruits undergoing training at this town and

BRITISH SAILOR KILLED

Valencia, April 25.
One British sailor was killed and three others injured during an air raid by three insurgent planes on Valencia this morning.

Altogether 20 people were killed and 100 injured.

The dead sailor was a member of the crew of the British steamer Stan Lake, which was lying in harbour alongside the British steamer, Celtic Star, three of whose crew were injured.—*Reuter*.

The entire technical and administrative staff left Albaceta for a destination not revealed.

The dissolution of the headquarters of the Brigades was obviously due to the changed situation which has arisen after splitting of Red Spain by the insurgent forces. The increasing tension is also felt in Madrid where a civil governor has been appointed and who takes most drastic measures to maintain the morale among the population.

Thus on Monday 30 persons were arrested in Madrid "for an attitude hostile to the State" and 84 other persons "for undermining the population's will to resistance."

All arrested persons will be tried by the peoples' tribunal.—*Transocean*.

EMERGENCY SESSION CALLED IN PRAGUE IN NEW EMERGENCY

Polish Frontier Incident And Anti-Jewish Riots Add Fuel to Fire of Fear

Prague, Apr. 25.
Dr. Milan Hodza, Czecho-Slovakian Prime Minister, has convened an emergency session of the Cabinet. Anxiety is heightened as a result of reports that Czech frontier guards fired on a Polish balloon. Confirmation of this would mean Czecho-Slovakia would face an incident involving Poland, together with the newly simulated interest of the Polish minority.

Completing the dark picture, Hungary is showing interest in the future of the Hungarian minority of 692,000 in Czecho-Slovakia.

ANGLO-IRISH ACCORD WELCOME

British Press Is Almost Unanimous

London, Apr. 26.

The entire British press welcomes the Anglo-Irish agreement with the exception of the *Daily Mail*, which carries no comment. The general attitude is that the positive gains outweigh the possible losses, of which the return of naval bases is held as potentially the most serious item.

The *Daily Herald* says: "With real wisdom the pact does not lay down conditions for the future, but contents itself with removing the causes of friction." The *Daily Telegraph* observes: "The most valuable feature is the goodwill to which the agreement testifies, and the presumption of good faith it connotes."

The paper presumes that the Admiralty agreed to the "rather startling renunciation" of the west coast naval base, pointing out that there is nothing specific in the agreement which binds Ireland to maintain the posts of defence in effective condition, for which Britain is bound to rely on the goodwill of future Irish governments, which can only be assumed.

It is difficult to overlook that in the possible circumstances the navy may suffer a very real handicap," continues the *Telegraph* comment, "but if the agreement falls the position will not be worse, while if it succeeds, it may mark the re-entry of the Irish dominion into the comity of the Empire."

The *News-Chronicle* says: "Mr. De Valera, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald and their colleagues deserve the warmest congratulations—the genuine friendship of a whole country is worth far more than the barren right to occupy a few ports, surrounded by possible unfriendly territory—we have only one regret—that obstinacy on both sides postponed the agreement for six years."—*Reuter*.

SIR JOHN SIMON'S BUDGET SECRETS

London, April 26.
To-morrow, shortly before 4 o'clock in the House of Commons, Sir John Simon will open his "first Budget." This evening a special Cabinet Meeting was held at which the Chancellor disclosed his proposals to his colleagues.—*British Wireless*.

It is learned that the first major outbreak of Nazi anti-Jewish violence occurred last night at the town of Thessalon, when the Town Council voluntarily resigned and joined 300 Sudetens in a torchlight parade. Gendarmes dispersed the demonstrators, who later re-assembled and smashed the windows of the Jewish temple and those of several Jewish shops. To-day a truck-load of Gendarmes from Prague arrived in the town and arrested several people. Shortly afterwards a meeting was called when the German Minister conferred with Dr. Kamil Krofta, Minister for Foreign Affairs.—*United Press*.

STOP PRESS

Press Comment On Accord

The *Times*, commenting on the Anglo-Irish accord, says the agreements mark the beginning of a new era of confidence and appeasement in Anglo-Irish relations. In a period of the world's history, in which reason and legality have been repeatedly overborne by emotional violence, rational and legal settlement of a long-standing dispute is an eminently refreshing spectacle.

The *Manchester Guardian* says the agreement makes no open advance towards the removal of the Free State's most acute grievance—partition. This is a great disappointment, but it will not be ignored that the agreement has been reached. If Dublin and London come closer together, it is natural that Dublin and Belfast will also come closer together.

Belfast papers generally are disappointed. The *Northern Whig* says the defence agreement is no agreement, but surrender in the matter of treaty ports. The *British Government* has acted with almost reckless generosity.

The *Irish News* complains that the pact leaves the major issue of partition untouched, and the *Irish Independent*, referring to the naval bases, says that Ireland has no foreign enemies, therefore there is no need for such defences. "We challenge Mr. De Valera to state definitely that very soon these fortifications will not be abandoned and destroyed."

The *Irish Press* also points out that the partition issue remains unsettled, while the *Irish Times* says the agreement will prove to be an outstanding milestone on the road leading to the goal of every Irish patriot.—*Reuter*.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 17.)

FROCKS with the GOLDEN TOUCH

PARIS ADVISES SEQUINS AND EMBROIDERIES



PAUL ROY:—Takes the gloom off a black frock with the clever use of multi-coloured pearls sewn on the shoulders to form the gleaming embroidery.

BUTTON HINTS

WHEN sewing on buttons that are meant to be decorative, it gives a professional touch if you use thread that matches the material—not the buttons.

Remember, when sewing four-hole buttons on clothing, to sew through only two holes separately first, then fasten off; then sew through the other two holes. The buttons will be much firmer, and should one give way the other will hold.

It is a good plan when sewing on coat buttons to sew them over a darning needle, then pull out the needle. The buttons sewn on in this way will be more easy to fasten, and though they appear looser than if sewn in the ordinary manner, they will not pull off nearly so easily.

Before covering wooden moulds for buttons, the moulds should be boiled in strong soda water for ten minutes, rinsed in cold water, and left to dry. The boiling process prevents the wood from staining the material when the dress is washed.

When using double thread for sewing on buttons, you will have no trouble with tangled cotton if you knot each end separately after threading, instead of knotting the ends together.

When putting a large button on thin material, it is advisable to give extra strength to the fabric by using a backing button. This should be a small one, but if a large button has four holes the small one should have the same number.

Sew on the large button with a few threads, and then join in the smaller one on the wrong side.

WHEN BABY GETS A COLD

By Grace Wilson

AN ordinary cold can be a source of positive danger to a baby, so here are a few words of advice to mothers.

Keep young children away from those who already have colds, or from crowded places where influenza and colds are rife.

If affected herself the mother should wear a crepe bandage, with a little cotton wool under it, round her nose and mouth while attending to the child.

A baby who is muffled up round the chest with insufficient protection

about the lower parts of the body, or a child who has a deficiency of vitamins or mineral salts in the diet, and is overfed on starches and sugars is readily susceptible to cold.

SIMILARLY, fogs, a tobacco-laden atmosphere and the steam from wet clothes in a room where baby is playing will all render the lung tissue irritable and susceptible to catarrhal infection.

In mild cases, young children may recover overnight if put into a hot bath with a dash of mustard to it, given a mild aperient, if necessary, and tucked up for a good sleep in a warm bed in an airy room.

If the cold develops they should be kept on a fluid diet during the initial stages.

Tasty Ways With Veal

THERE are many succulent dishes in which veal plays an important part.

To make a delicious veal casserole, cut two pounds of veal in small pieces. Wash, prepare and dice one onion, one turnip, one carrot, and a little celery. Put all into a casserole and add one ounce of pearl barley. Add a quart of water, finely chopped parsley, and seasoning to taste. Simmer gently for three hours and serve with toast.

Here is a thick veal soup:—Cover with water and boil separately a knuckle of veal and three pounds of tripe. This will take about three hours. Then skim off the fat and put the liquors together in a pot. Cut the tripe into small pieces and do the same with the veal; add to the liquor, with three large potatoes and two onions. Thicken the soup when boiling with a little flour. Season to taste and also add a little thyme.

Veal mould is especially good:—Mince sufficient veal for your needs (the veal must of course be cooked first), weigh it, and add half the weight in fresh bread crumbs and two beaten eggs to every pound of meat.

Season well with pepper, salt, and chopped onion and parsley. Mix together and moisten with a little stock. Form into a roll with the hand, and flour to prevent the sticking. Tie up in a pudding cloth and steam for one hour. Press between plates with a weight on top until cold. Remove the cloth the next day and glaze. Serve in slices with a piece of bacon or ham and salad.

This is the way to prepare veal steak:—Peel half a pound of mushrooms, and when you have removed the stalks, place a little parsley butter in each. Then cover with greased paper. Sprinkle lemon juice over the veal, and season to taste.

Place in a casserole with two slices bacon, and put the mushrooms on top. Cover dish with a lid and put in the oven for three-quarters of an hour.

N. M.

Hints For The Housewife

SHORT tacks are difficult to fix in corners, but if they are forced through a small strip of paper, which is held instead of the tack, they can be easily hammered down without bruising the fingers. If a new broom is soaked in hot water in which a handful of salt has been thrown it will toughen the bristles, and so make them wear longer.

Thin pieces of felt or cork, firmly glued to the legs of chairs, will save many scratches on the floor, besides ensuring quietness.

When filling a hot water bottle lay it flat on a table, hold up the neck of the bottle only, and slowly fill it in this position, for then there will be no risk of water spouting out.

Paint your picture cords in each room the same colour as the distemper, for then they will not be so noticeable.

Odd pieces of linoleum make an excellent covering for shelves, as they only need wiping occasionally with a damp cloth. Tiny scraps of linoleum left over can be rolled up in paper, and used instead of wood when lighting the fire.

Lined oil is excellent for removing shabby leather chairs. After the oil has thoroughly soaked into the leather, polish in the usual way.

To prevent labels coming off bottles, especially those containing poison, paint them with shellac varnish, sufficient to come over their sides on to the bottle.

A short length of hose pipe kept coiled beneath the kitchen sink is most useful for filling baths and buckets on table or floor, as it saves lifting them out of the sink.

Tight fitting drawers can be made to run easily by rubbing the sides and edges with wax polish, or a blacklead pencil in the case of small drawers.

To clean a pearl necklace bury it in powdered magnesia for twelve hours, then shake it gently and wipe off the powder.

IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT FEVER

The reason why your stomach rejects solid foods when you have fever is because your wasted body tissues are crying out for moisture. This makes you desperately thirsty.

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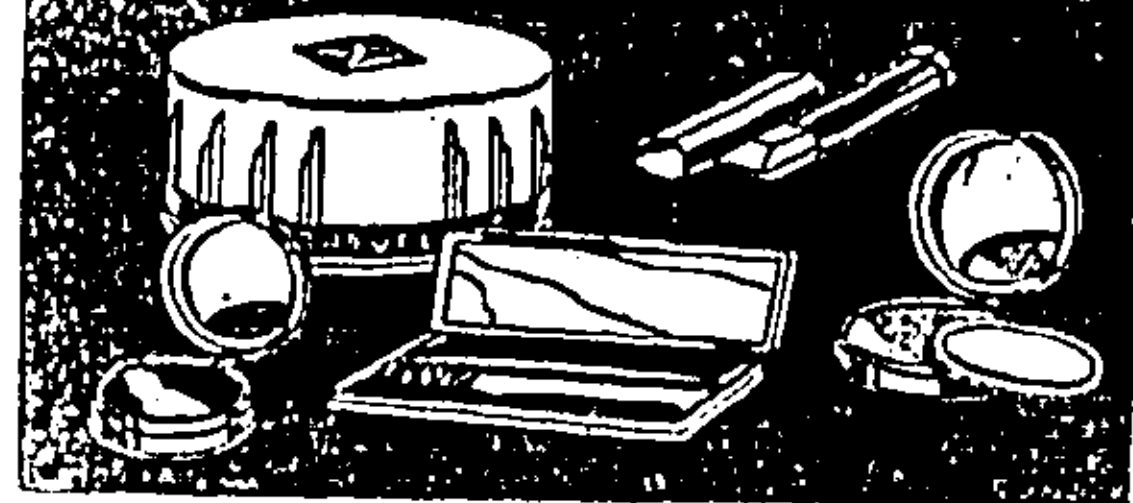
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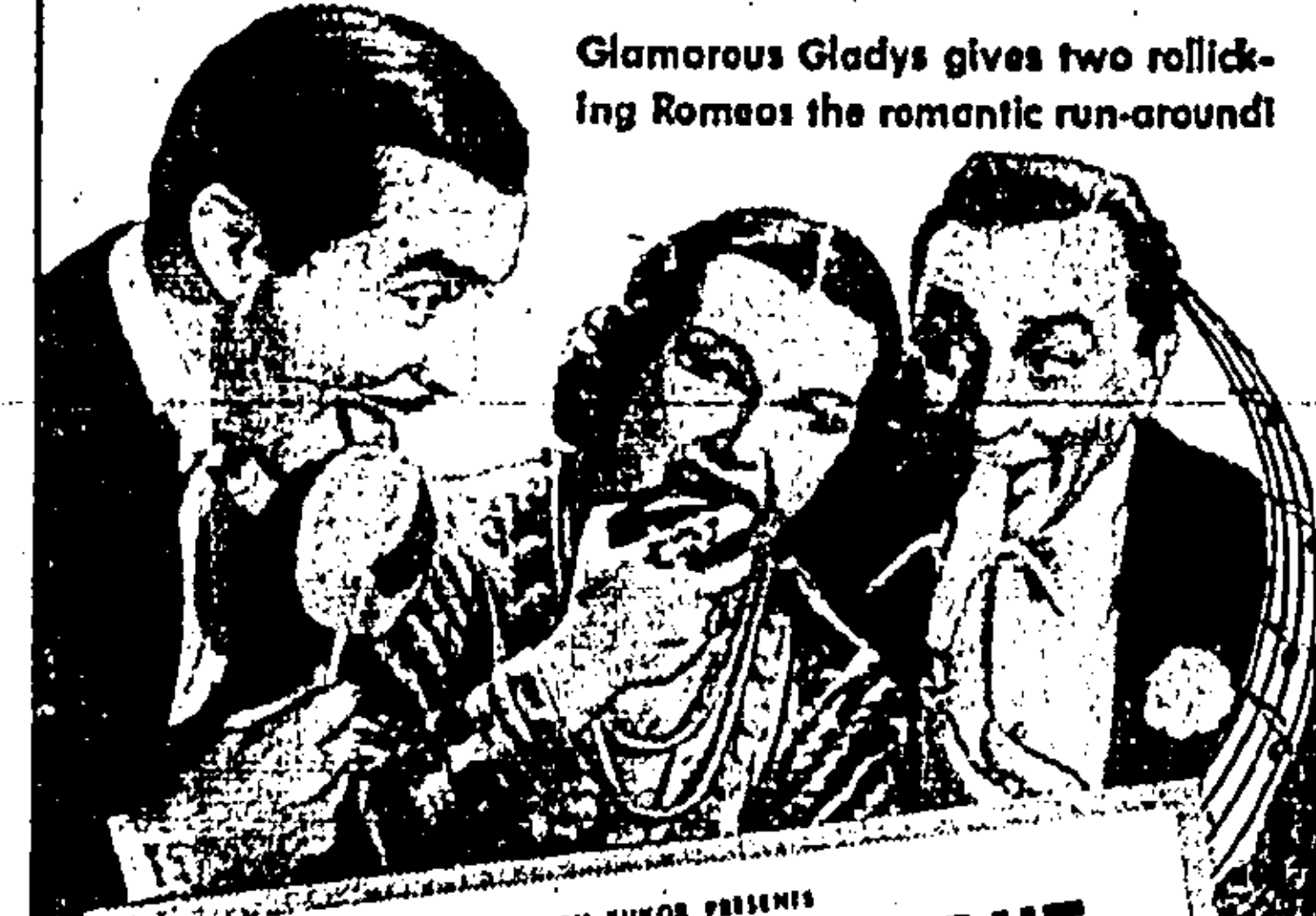
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Anglo-Irish Financial Agreement Complete

ERA OF FRIENDSHIP PROMISED BY CLOSE ECONOMIC HARMONY

Irish Circles Welcome Agreement As Step To Even Wider Accord

London, Apr. 25.

The Anglo-Irish Agreement shows that a complete financial settlement has been reached. It provides for the transfer to Eire of the coast defence stations which the United Kingdom is unconditionally evacuating. Eire is to pay £10,000,000 to the United Kingdom by November 30 as a final settlement of all financial claims of either Government against the other.

Eire will continue to make an annual payment of £250,000 in respect to damage to property under the agreement of December, 1925.

All British penal duties against Eire, and the corresponding duties imposed by Eire on the United Kingdom are abolished. In effect it is the complete termination of the financial and economic disputes between the two countries.

Eire undertakes to put a duty on foreign coal, and to make reductions in duties on United Kingdom goods. There will be an immediate reduction of tariffs on 25 items. The Eire Government will give priority to any duty, and British manufacturers can argue before the Commission.

Agreement Lasts Three Years

Special consideration will be given to Eire industries not fully established. Undoubtedly there will be heavy reduction of tariffs on United Kingdom goods, and the United Kingdom Government will assist the Eire Government to request the Eire Commission to give priority to any duty, and British manufacturers can argue before the Commission.

The existing preference margins for United Kingdom goods are preserved.

The trade agreement will last three years, after which it will be subject to six months notice on either side.

The agreement is subject to the confirmation of both Parliaments, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, will make a statement in the House of Commons to-morrow, and the necessary Bill will be passed as soon as possible. It is understood the Premier played a big part in bringing the agreement to fruition.

Goes Far Beyond Expectations

The significance of the agreement is that it goes far beyond the contents expected, and a new Anglo-Irish atmosphere, as well as a new era of friendship and co-operation in matters of common concern has been created.

With regard to defence, it is expected the Eire Government will now take over more seriously than in the past, the question of defence of the principal Eire ports.

Irish official circles welcome the agreement as a big step towards a more complete union in the future, and it is felt that with new goodwill on all sides the parties will concentrate efforts in removing "Partition," which is the only remaining obstacle to final reconciliation of the two peoples, and Irishmen in North Ireland will participate in the work of appeasement.

Britain Has Nothing To Lose

The Irish Delegation's view is that Britain has nothing to fear and everything to gain from a free and independent Ireland. The point has been repeated in the declarations of Mr. De Valera that Eire will not be permitted to be used as a base to attack Britain, and Eire will defend her sovereignty against all comers.

It is pointed out that the question of defence is not a question of paper, but each country is acting for its own interests, which are joint interests. As a result of the handing over of the ports, Eire will formulate her own policy of defence, though it is possible there will be some consultation or co-ordination with Britain.

Irish circles regard the friendly interest of the United States as an important factor in making the agreement possible, and they pay a tribute to Mr. Chamberlain, without whose help no agreement could have been made, and to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, without whose negotiations could never have begun. An interesting event in connection with the signing of the Anglo-Irish Agreement was when Mr. Neville

Air Mission Reticent On British Plans

Studying Types And Numbers Of U.S. Planes Available

New York, Apr. 25. The British Air Mission, which is seeking to effect a deal for the purchase of fighting planes from the United States and Canada, arrived in New York to-day, and is flying to Washington this afternoon.

One member of the Mission stated that it would probably be staying in the United States for some time, after which it was proceeding to Canada.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

THOROUGH CANVASS TO BE MADE

New York, Apr. 25. After the arrival of the British Air Mission, Air Commodore J. G. Weir, one of the members of the Mission, stated that it will make a thorough canvass of United States aircraft factories to determine how many planes and what types of fighting craft could be obtained.

"We have come to look around, but I suppose if purchases are going to be made, our view of the situation will be given weight," he said.

Mr. Weir was reticent with regard to further plans of the Mission. He said he could not say at present what types, or how many planes Britain will buy from the United States, or how much Britain was prepared to spend. Any orders for aircraft Britain may place are expected to help American manufacturers to reach full production capacity in 1938.—*Reuter.*

CONGRESSMAN SUSPICIOUS

Washington, Apr. 25. Speaking in the debate on the Navy Expansion Bill, Senator J. Hamilton Lewis declared that unless the United States stopped selling war materials to foreign nations she might some day find herself fighting against American produced machines.

Senator Lewis protested against the purchasing agents from Britain being permitted to "ascertain the full quality of our ability to manufacture produce of war supplies under the guise of purchase."

High quarters emphasise there is nothing political about the British Air Mission, which is not seeking contacts with the State Department. It is further emphasised that all governments purchasing air material are treated uniformly with regard to applications for export licences.

The Washington Star points out that France, Russia, Japan, China, Turkey and various South American nations have ordered, or are about to order, aircraft and other war material from the United States.

"The British Air Mission this afternoon conferred with the Air Attache of the British Embassy regarding arrangements for a tour of aircraft factories.—*Reuter.*

NEW STAMPS ON SALE TO-DAY

Postage stamps of the new issue H. M. King George VI in the denomination of one dollar will be on sale as from April 27, the Postmaster-General announced. In order to assist dealers and others who require considerable quantities of these stamps for "first day covers," supplies in complete sheets of 120 stamps only will be available at the Chief Accountant's Office, first floor, Post Office Building, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. to-day. The stamps will not be valid for postage until to-morrow.

GERMAN GENERAL ON WAY TO JAPAN

Amsterdam, Apr. 25. Field Marshal Werner von Blomberg, the former German Minister for Defence, accompanied by his wife, has arrived in Belawan, in north Sumatra, according to a message received here.

He is reported to have informed a representative of a Sumatra newspaper that he is on his way to Japan where he intends to make a short visit.—*Transocean.*

defendant, and pleaded not guilty to both charges. The case was fixed for hearing at 2.30 p.m. on May 10.

A China Motor Bus Company driver, K. Lam, was summoned for driving a bus without due care and caution in Pokfulam Road on March 29.

Traffic Sergeant G. Youe said that a funeral procession was proceeding up Pokfulam Road towards Pokfulam, and a sedan chair, carried by four coolies, brought up the rear. Defendant drove his bus in the same direction, past the procession and knocked down one of the coolies, Ho Yiu. A wheel ran over his foot, and injured it seriously, added the Sergeant. At the time of the accident, a car was coming down the road from the opposite direction, and it was possible that this caused defendant to pull over to the left too much.

The case was adjourned for two weeks.

VIRTUAL MILITARY ALLIANCE BETWEEN BRITAIN, FRANCE

Paris, Apr. 25.

The Cabinet has approved of proposals of thorough collaboration with Britain in foreign policy, and the establishment of "shoulder to shoulder" military policies, submitted by M. Edouard Daladier, the Premier.

These policies include the co-ordination of the French and British armed forces through Staff conversations, virtually approaching a military alliance.

M. Daladier outlined hopes to co-ordinate the French and British rearmament policies, especially in aviation, including the purchase of American planes.

The French have favoured formally organising the purchases under a buying board representing Britain and France. Earlier in the day the French Cabinet adopted an eight-point recovery programme.—*United Press.*

BEAUTIFUL "HOSTESS" IN LAWSUIT

Cabaret Contract Damages Sought

Described as a dancing hostess, Hung Kook-lan was sued for \$600 liquidated damages for breach of contract of the Emporium Ballroom before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Summary Court this morning.

Appearing for the plaintiff, Mr. H. L. Kwan said the parties signed a contract dated March 14, whereby defendant was to work for the Emporium for one month at \$100. The contract, however, was not fulfilled, defendant having gone to work for the Capital Ballroom at \$75 a month, and according to one of the clauses she was to pay \$20 liquidated damages a day for the breach.

His Lordship remarked there was no admission of breach of contract; the defence was that the contract signed was not the true one.

Fung Siu-ling, manager of the plaintiff concern, said that on February 25 he saw defendant, who had just returned from Singapore, at the Hotel Cecil and asked her to work for him. Terms were discussed, and defendant looked at the contract form but did not read it—she fixed her eyes on it but her mouth did not move. (Laughter). She agreed to the terms mentioned but suggested that the contract should be for only one month. The contract was signed but defendant said she could not start at once as she was not feeling well.

WORKED FOR COMPETITOR

On March 12, he saw defendant again and asked her when she was prepared to begin work. On her saying March 14, he put that date on the contract. Defendant, however, never turned up and on March 16, he learned that she was working for the Capitol. He went there, and defendant said that the reasons why she did not carry out the contract were that she was being paid higher wages by the Capitol, that there were not so many dancing girls and that beautiful girls there were not so common as in the Emporium.

The liquidated damages of \$20 a day represented the earnings defendant would have made during that period if she had fulfilled the contract.

EAGER FOR SERVICES

Cross-examined by Mr. M. A. de Silva, the defence, Fung admitted he was eager to get defendant's services as she was a good dancer. It was not, however, because of lack of good dancing girls owing to the opening of the Capitol. Though he had been acquainted with defendant for over two years, he did not know she had only a small knowledge of written Chinese. He assumed defendant knew the terms of the contract through having signed one before.

Witness denied he filled in the blanks on the contract not in accordance with the terms agreed upon. Though her earnings amounted approximately to \$20 a day, he was not prepared to increase her salary by that sum in order to get her services. He did not agree that defendant was to receive a salary of \$100 and was surprised to learn that she was getting only \$75 from the Capitol.

The case was adjourned to May 6 at 10 a.m.

DAGRELLE'S FINE RESCINDED

Brussels, Apr. 25. M. Leon Dagrelle, the leader of the Belgian Rexist movement, has won his protest against a Brussels law court verdict which had ordered him to pay a fine of 25,000 francs for an alleged libel against the leader of the Flemish Catholic Party, M. Camille. The court of appeal rescinded the fine.—*Transocean.*

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SHORT OF FUNDS FOR CONTROL IN SPAIN

London, Apr. 25. At a meeting of the Chairman's sub-committee of the International Non-Intervention Committee in London to-day, it transpired from a statement by the accounting officer to the committee that the balance available was only sufficient for a continuance of the observation scheme and preliminary work in connection with the plan for the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain up to the end of the present month.

This situation had arisen largely following the interruption of contributions of the Soviet Government at the beginning of last October. As a result no payment was made on October 8 last by Russia, Germany or Italy. Other powers then interrupted payment, besides one or two who were already in arrears, Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Norway, Sweden, Turkey and Yugoslavia. Payment was duly made on October 8 by the United Kingdom Government, which, however, made no subsequent payment. The French Government duly paid its contribution in respect not only of October 8 but also of November 8 and December 8 Poland and Lithuania also paid up to December 8. The following powers not only paid their agreed contributions up to and including December 8, but also paid contributions for varying periods in the ensuing months, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Elre, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Rumania.

After the committee had heard the statement on the position of the international fund, the Soviet representative declared the unwillingness of his Government to resume payment unless and until the International Committee's resolution of November 4 last was implemented. As a result of the discussion the United Kingdom, German and Italian representatives agreed that their Governments should their contributions up to December 8 regardless of the decision of the Soviet Government.

The representatives recommended to their governments that monthly payments be made in future. The accounting officer stated that if these payments were made promptly it would be possible for the work of the Non-Intervention Board to be continued. The subcommittee then adjourned.—British Wireless.

U.S. TREASURY OFFERS MONEY TO PRODUCERS

Washington, Apr. 25. The United States Treasury to-day offered \$200,000,000 Commodities Credits Corporation notes bearing interest of three-quarters per cent. The notes will mature on November 2, 1939.—Reuter Special.

Radio-Phone Expansion In Britain

Linking Up With Other Nations

London, Apr. 25. Speaking at a banquet of the National Chamber of Trade at Brighton to-night, the assistant Postmaster-General revealed important Post Office plans for the improvement of communication services, including the erection of a large new receiving station in Kent, with an aerial two miles long connected to the receiving station by 16 miles of special cable for a trans-Atlantic radio telephone system.

Arrangements have also been made for the provision of ultra-short-wave radio-telephone channels between the United Kingdom and France, and between the mainland and Shetland Islands.

Sir Walter Womersley said that during the past twelve months great progress had been made in the development of world communications, especially as they affected the Empire. To provide for the growth of traffic to Holland and the Scandinavian countries, a new type of cable was laid between England and Holland. The total number of telephone circuits between England and the Continent was now more than 170. Ultra-short-wave radio-telephone circuits would also be utilized for connecting the Hebrides and other islands, where neither telegraph nor telephone communication hitherto had been available. In the United Kingdom itself, where progress has also been evident during the last twelve months, 6,200 new circuits had been added to the trunk system.

In the sphere of Imperial and foreign telegraphs all else had been eclipsed by the recent announcement that Cables and Wireless and its associated companies overseas, were introducing a new rate schedule to all parts of the Empire. The maximum rate of 1s. 3d. per word for full-rate telegrams between the Empire countries represented a truly notable advance in Imperial communications.—British Wireless.

TWO KILLED IN STREET MISHAPS

A passenger on a Castle Peak route bus, Li Shek, 52, attempted to alight from No. 22, at the Tean Wan terminus yesterday, but fell and struck his head on the ground. He was sent to Kowloon Hospital where he died.

An unknown Chinese man was knocked down by a tramcar driven by Yau Sheung, motorman, in Johnston Road near Yee Wo Street yesterday. He died later at the Queen Mary Hospital.

BRITISH WOMAN HELD FOR ESPIONAGE

Moscow, Apr. 25. It is reported that Rose Cohen, the British woman, who, it is alleged, has been kept in solitary confinement for eight months, has been charged with espionage.

She was formerly foreign editor of the Moscow Daily News. She lost her British citizenship when she married a Soviet official of the Commissariat of Heavy Industries, who was himself arrested in 1937, presumably for Trotskyist activities.—United Press.

CAPETOWN SAILS

With a long paying-off pennant denoting the length of her commission on China Station, H.M.S. Capetown slipped out of Hongkong harbour at 10.30 a.m. to-day on her 3,000 mile voyage home, where she will rest and re-commission.

Of the 1918-22 construction, Capetown has spent most of her commissioned service on the China Station. Her career since returning here from refit in 1933 has been an adventurous one. She was at Hankow when the first Japanese drive made the fall of that city appear imminent, and brought a large number of refugees down the Yangtze to Shanghai and later to Hongkong. During the trip down the river a baby was born to the wife of one of the refugees.

More recently the Capetown carried out a remarkable rescue of the officers and crew of the French steamer Yolande, which was wrecked near Weihaiwei. The daughter of the owner of the vessel was among those saved.

WANTED WORK, NEEDED ROPE, BROKE A LEG

Wanting to be a worker but not having a rope, an essential in his line of work, Chan Fat-yung, 26, decided to steal one. For this purpose, he climbed from the street to the first floor verandah of a house in Des Voeux Road Central and when he was about to enter the house, he was seen by a tenant of the house, who jumped from the verandah into the roadway, fracturing a leg.

This morning Chan told Mr. R. Edwards of the intended theft, when he was charged at the Central Magistrate's court with loitering on the verandah of the house at 3.45 a.m. on March 25.

Det-Sergeant D. Davies said that Chan had just been allowed to leave hospital, and that there was a possibility that the man would be lame for life. Edwards bound him over in \$50 for a year and, as the defendant wished him to be sent to Swatow, his native village.

STOCK MARKET HAS DULL DAY

COMMODITIES EASIER; FRANC RALLIES

London, Apr. 25. The London Stock Exchange was quiet to-day, pending the budget. Occasional offerings found poor support, and consequently things were rather dull.

Among commodities, cocoa eased on unconfirmed rumours that the buying pool had suspended operations until October, but they closed above the lowest. Rubber eased in sympathy with the East and America.

On foreign exchanges, French control intervened strongly to support spot franc, which rallied briskly. Foreign currencies weakened through French selling. Wall Street was dull.—Reuter Special.

FORGED NOTES IN HIS POCKET

Two \$10 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank notes, bearing the same number, aroused the suspicions of a Chinese detective when he found them on Kung Lo, 40, whom he stopped to search in Saiyungchol Street on April 22. He took Kung to Mongkok Police Station, and the notes were found to be forgeries.

Appearing on remand before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, Kung was fined \$150 or three months' hard labour. Detective Sergeant J. Forrest prosecuted.

U.S. OFFICIALS TO BE TAXED

Washington, Apr. 25. In a message to Congress, President Franklin D. Roosevelt recommended termination of tax exemption on governmental securities and salaries.—Reuter Special.

BANISHEE CAPTURED

Saying that he had only intended remaining here for two days, Tang Lung, 32, admitted a charge of breach of the Deportation Ordinance before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's court to-day. He was banished for 10 years in October, 1935, and was arrested yesterday. Sentence of eight months' hard labour was imposed.

40 Taken In Police Raid

Forty gamblers were arrested in Hennessy Road yesterday when police carried out a raid. Two of the arrested persons, Kwan Wong, 25, unemployed, and Li Yuet-ngo, 17, a woman, were charged before Mr. H. B. Butters at the Central Magistrate's court this morning with keeping the premises as a common gaming house, and on admitting the charge, were each fined \$75.

The other 38 gamblers, who had been released on bail of \$3 each, failed to appear, and accordingly forfeited their bail. The majority of the gamblers were women, who were participating in a tze-tam lottery, which Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin, who prosecuted, described as similar to the Macao lottery. A sum of \$10.00 was picked up, and this was donated to the Court Poor Box.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S CABLED QUOTATIONS

	London, Apr. 25.	Apr. 22, Apr. 23.
War Loan, 2½% (Red. after 1932)	103 1/2	101 1/2 1/16
Capitol-Kowloon Ry 5½%	22	22
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan	76	75
Chinese 5½% Gold Bonds	73 1/2	74 1/2
Chinese 5% Loan	92	92
Chinese 5% Loan	52 1/2	53
Chinese 5% Loan	01 1/2	01 1/2
Chinese 5% Loan	10	10
Chinese 5% Loan	73	73
Chinese 5% Loan	45	45
Chinese 5% Loan	31	31
Chinese 5% Loan	28	28
Chinese 5% Loan	21	21
Chinese 5% Loan	42	41
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5½%	27	27
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5½%	27	27
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5½%	27	27
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5½%	27	27
Papan 5% Sterling Loan	40 1/2	40 1/2
Japan 5% Sterling Loan	57	57
German 7½% International Loan	112 1/2	112 1/2
Chartered Bank of I.A.	12 1/2	12 1/2
H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp. (Ltd. Reg.)	01	00
H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp. (Col. Reg.)	03 1/4	03
Chinese Engineering & Mining (beater)	10 3/4	10 3/4
Chosen Corporation	3/8	2/8
Pekin Syndicate	Nom.	Nom.
Shai Elec. & Construction Co.	36/-	36/-
Shai Waterworks Co.	24 1/2	24 1/2
Union Insurance Society of Canton	30 1/2	30 1/2
Gula Kalumpung Rubber Allied Industries	27 1/2	27 1/2
Assac Elec. Industries	23 1/2	23 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	30 1/2	30 1/2
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	63	60 1/2
British-American Tobacco (beater)	105 1/4	105/-
Campania Italiana	9/-	9/-
Mexican Eagle	4 1/4	4 1/4
Portulanda	95/8	95/8
Distillers	30/0	30/0
Dunlop Rubber	30/0	30/0
General Elec. (England)	70 1/2	70 1/2
Imperial Chemical Ind.	32 1/2	32 1/2
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	27 1/2	27 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane	51/8	51 1/2
Imperial Chemical Ind.	32 1/2	32 1/2
Imperial Tobacco	130 1/2	130 1/2
Marks & Spencer "A"	85 1/2	85 1/2
Robt. Royce	84 1/2	84 1/2
Levins Motors	84 1/2	84 1/2
Tate & Lyle	80/-	80/-
Turner & Newall	27 1/2	26 1/2
United Steel	27 1/2	26 1/2
Smithwick Drop Forge	19/8	19/8
Armstrong-Sterling ord.	14/0	13 1/2
Pressed Steel, ord.	14/0	13 1/2
Vickers, ord.	23/0	22/0
Woolworths	65 1/2	65/8
Anglo-Dutch	26/-	26/-
Rubber Plantation Invest.	25/-	25 1/2
Commonwealth Mining	10 1/2	10 1/2
Commonwealth Ind.	1 1/2	1 1/2
Randfontein Estates	38/0	37/0
De Beers	203/0	201/0
Sub-Nigel	110 1/2	110 1/2
Anglo-Iranian	78 1/2	78 1/2
Shell Trans. & Trad. (beater)	110 1/2	110/-

THE FILMS YOU LIKE TO SEE

(Continued from Page 6.)

American slang and gangster films. Those in lighter occupations are inclined to prefer the British type of picture.

Films dealing with sport, whether it be football, cricket, boxing, dog or horse racing are on the danger list.

I had a letter from a woman in Wolverhampton which demonstrates this point.

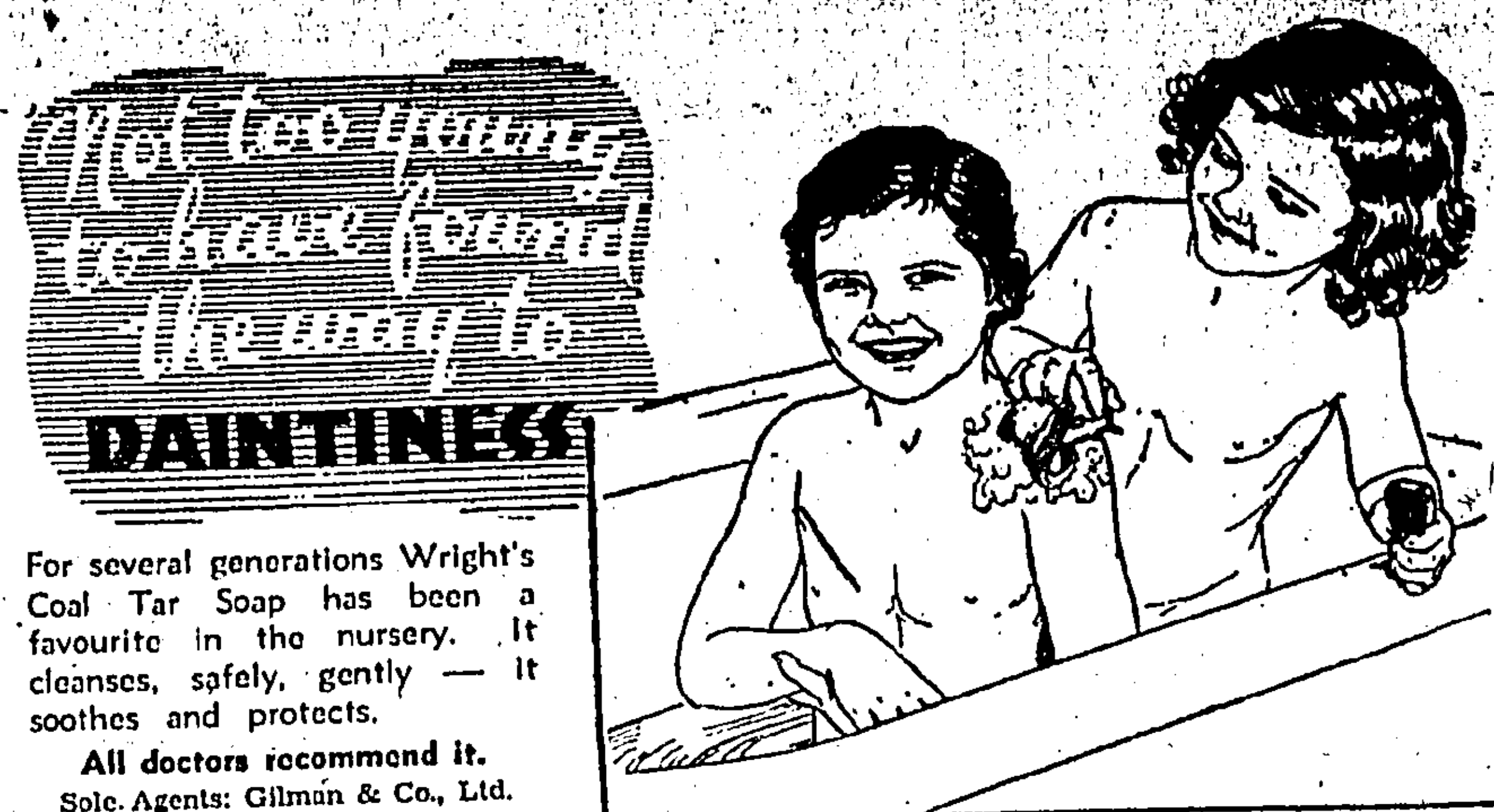
"All the week," she wrote, "I have to listen to my husband talking about football. Thank goodness when Saturday comes he goes to his blessed football and I can go to the pictures."

"So will you tell me what on earth possessed you to send a football film to Wolverhampton? Don't do it again."

I won't.

FISHERMAN FEARED DROWNED

An apparent drowning fatality in Taikeo Dockyard yesterday was reported to the police by Mr. G. Bird. He said that a cook-boy employed on board the steamer Wanchuen was seen fishing by No. 1 Slipway and later disappeared. It is believed that the man accidentally fell into the harbour and was drowned.



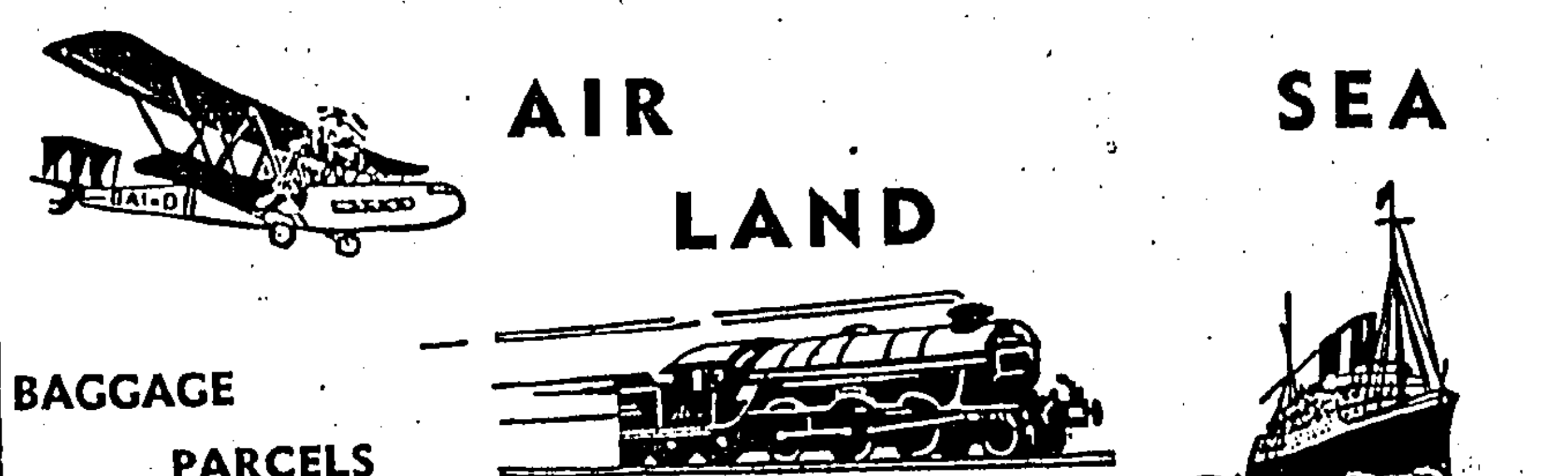
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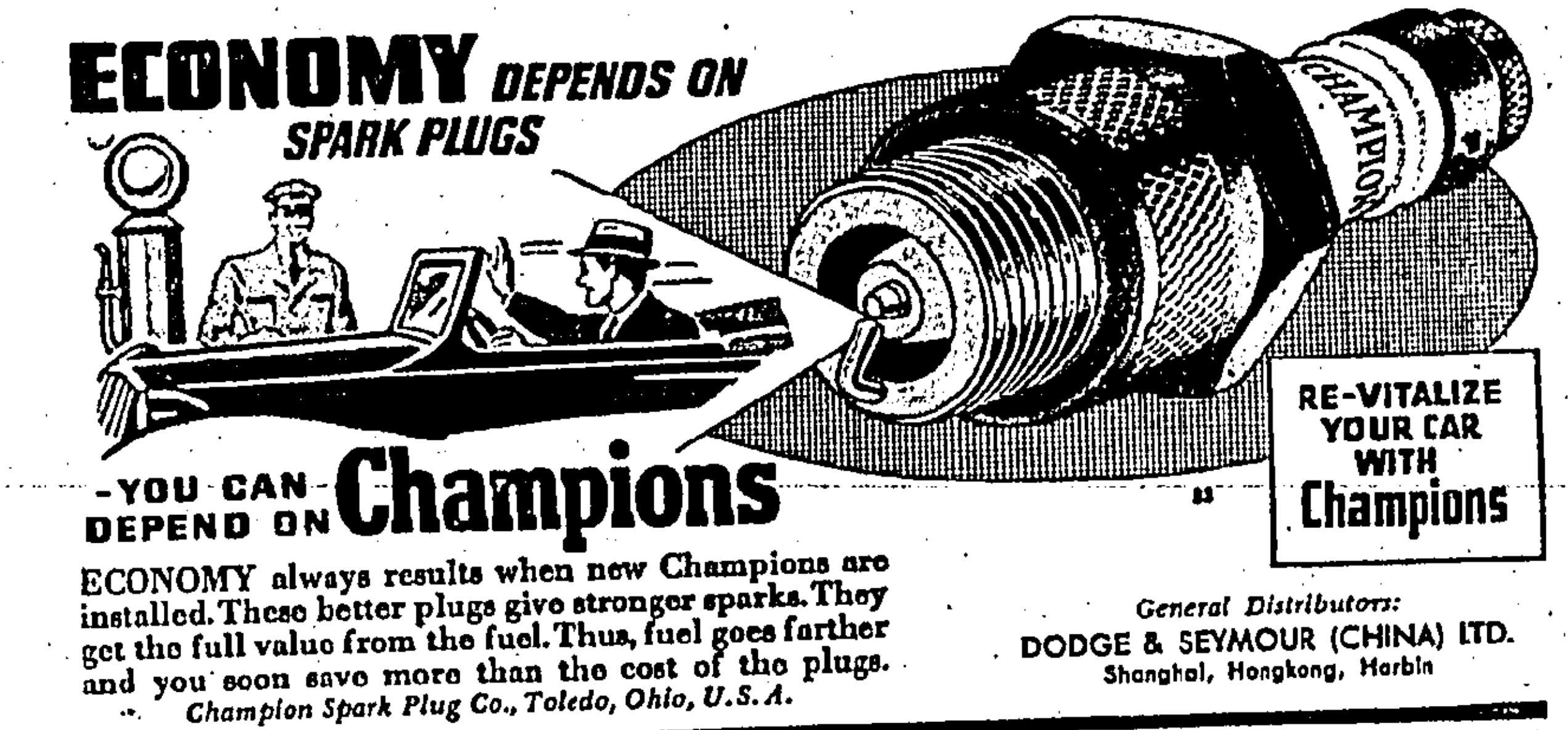
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Tungo Maru	9th May
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Toba Maru	12th May
Nagato Maru	20th May
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FOR THOSE WHO
FORGET

The subject of this article cannot be guaranteed as being either interesting or instructive, yet it is something which touches to a lesser or greater degree almost every one of Hongkong's residents; and more particularly the European population. It is that affliction known to many, admitted by a few, "Hongkong Memory." It may be indigenous to this Colony, so to speak; or it may be that climatic and other conditions combine to nourish it here and that it is no more than a manifestation of the same mental inertia which occurs elsewhere, notably in the Spring. In any event, there is no denying its existence, and even its utility; for it has served before now as an excuse for a broken dinner date. As far as can be ascertained none of the great scientific minds of the age has tackled this rather fascinating problem, although Freud and Jung have made dilettante reference to similar complaints. It is therefore time the thing was examined.

It is not suggested that "Hongkong Memory" is a disease, exactly. It may very well be a symptom of some physical disability, however, and perhaps can help the medical man to arrive at a correct diagnosis. It is sometimes chronic and apparently is one of the results of excessive use of alcohol, though it is not a proof of over-indulgence. It may be a result of physical fatigue or worry, or it may be due to unconscious repression. In a form well-known to journalists and public speakers, it frequently results in inability to remember a word or a name. And since, at this stage of treatment the subject approaches the realm of psychopathology, it might not be amiss to consider the relationship between "Hongkong Memory" and the mental and physical states which induce *lapses linguæ*, or in every-day language, slips of the tongue. That there is a close relationship seems certain. It was the former German Chancellor, Prince Bulow, who fell into one of the most embarrassing tongue traps when defending his Emperor in 1907. "Concerning the present, the new epoch of Emperor Wilhelm II, I can only repeat what I said a year ago, that it would be unfair and unjust to speak of a coterie of

The Films You Like To See

By
The Man Who Picks Them
ARTHUR W. JARRATT
of Gaumont-British

IT is my job to find film entertainment—to pick "pictures for places." How do I set about it?

Golden Rule No. 1 is never to under-rate the intelligence of the public. If a picture is unpopular you can be sure it is bad.

Rule No. 2 is to remember always that the public will not be lectured. If an entertaining film carries a moral that is all to the good. But no audience will accept a lecture for the lecture's sake.

As far as films are concerned, there is one West End for weekdays and another for Sundays, and neither is the West End of the street maps.

On weekdays, audiences in West End cinemas come mainly from the districts west and north of Piccadilly and they appreciate most the fast, wise-cracking, crazy comedies.

They like any well-made comedy or melodrama, but they are not keen on ordinary Western dramas, dialect films, back-stage stories, and musical films.

No Clue

ON Sundays the West End moves round to the East. Audiences then come from an area north of the Thames as far east as Bow.

And the strange characteristic of these Sunday filmgoers is that their reactions give no clue to success or failure with other audiences—even weekly audiences attending the same cinemas.

North London likes fast-moving films, especially of the gangster or G-Man type. But this holds good only until we get north of Haringey, where we strike the same sort of audience as we find nearly everywhere south of the Thames.

In these outer suburban areas, the British type of film is most popular.

North London understands and likes American slang. South London does not like it, and does not wish to understand it.

Now what about the Provinces? In the main we can say south of Nottingham is like South London, and the northern counties like North London. But there are notable exceptions. York and Harrogate, for instance, follow South London's tastes.

Lancashire and Yorkshire in general are magnificently loyal to their own stars. If you send them what you think the finest film in the world on a week when they can see a Gracie Fields or a George Formby you will be asking for trouble.

On Danger List

I FIND that those engaged in heavy or arduous work incline to follow North London in its liking for

responsible advisers around our "Emperor" (loud cries of "Irresponsible!")—to speak of irresponsible advisers. Pardon the *lapses linguæ*. "This confused utterance was naturally followed by hilarity among Bulow's hearers. It may be that the mind of such a speaker, like the mind of a writer, runs on before his words; that he speaks, actually, in a sort of recitation, having instantly memorised a sentence framed in the mind, and that while he is speaking his brain is racing on to find new words and arrange them in proper order. Even so, the error is a sign of mental weariness, and of the same category as that of the Hongkong man who droopingly murmurs to the bar-boy: "I think I shall have a shishkey-woda; I mean a whisky—oh, a high-ball."

This information is not likely to do anyone very much good. The whole article is typical of the products of minds afflicted with the subject of discussion. The best remedy for this decrepit mental state is rest and quiet.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Every night this week it's been dinners, banquets, dances, stag parties—when will we spend a quiet evening at home?"

QUOTATION FOR TODAY

ONE of the greatest lessons of life is to learn not to do what one likes, but to like what one does.—BLACK.

THE "VERY IDEA" BRINGING UP THE PROBLEM CHILD

By Eddie "Pop" Kelly
THE amah's got mesals and the headache is sick in bed with the dog (the animal occupies the bed with her) and we've been so busy her) and we've been so busy lately minding the baby that we haven't had time to give you these swimming lessons we promised you.

WE find that minding the baby is the most difficult part of our job. Washing the dishes is easy, for we received so many for wedding presents that we have sufficient reinforcements for those already in the kitchen sink to avoid unnecessary mental tasks until the amah is well again.

We don't really know who that kid takes after. It must be his mother. We're sure it's not us. Mind you, he's a dear little thing, but the temptation to wring his neck does prove terrific at times. And the muck he lives on. Warm up milk and soggy biscuits. Gruel, and stuff like that. That was his official menu, but when he found out how to open the refrigerator, he was able to vary it a little.

A bit of raw chop, followed by half a pound of butter, and the contents of the milk bottle poured over himself was just a sort of snack.

The headache used to call us into the bedroom and say in a weak, suffering voice (all put on, of course): "Is Willie alright? What's he doing now? He's very quiet."

That's the sort of kid he is. If he isn't quiet, you immediately suspect he's dead. Oh, well. Being married calls for a little rebellion.

Goodbye Gretna Green!

The Government will shortly introduce a Bill in the Commons to end "irregular marriages" at Gretna Green and elsewhere in Scotland.

Mr. Walter Elliot, Secretary for Scotland, announced this answering a question by Mr. David Kirkwood.

The Bill is not yet finally drafted, but it will end all forms of marriage in Scotland except:—in recognised Christian or Jewish places of worship after the ordinary calling of banns;

by a new form of civil wedding before officials to be instituted by the Bill. It will resemble English Register Office marriage.

Marriage of minors without consent of their parents, and marriage by declaration before witnesses will be ended. All unauthorised people who profess to conduct marriages—such as Mr. Renshaw, the Gretna "Blacksmith," will be penalised and put out of practice by the Bill.

GRETTA GREEN. From St. Pancras or Euston 317 1/2 miles. Map square 44. See Carlisle. About 6 week-day, 1 Sunday service. Ordinary single 64/2 a, 38/6 c. Monthly return 77/3 a, 51/6 c. Early closing Wednesday.

Not very romantic, the way the time-table looks at it, is it? But Gretna Green is really a prosaic place. During the war £9,000,000 was spent on making it into a cordite-manufacturing centre where 24,700 people worked. The ruins remain in the fields around.

It might have become more important still if this munition factory hadn't been sold up in 1924. Labour M.P.s wanted to make it into a vast peace-time factory.

Now Gretna Green has come into the news again—perhaps for the last time.

For 164 years Gretna Green has been the scene of "romantic" marriages.

Romantic? Well... it was only an Act of Parliament in 1754 which changed the venue of these "romantic" marriages. It did so by making the marriage of a minor illegal in England without consent of parents or guardian. Such marriages remained legal in Scotland—and are still so to-day.

Before the Act of 1754 minors had contracted "hiddenway" weddings with their lovers in the Fleet Prison of London.

Afterwards they started those long drives in post-chaises to the Scottish border, with furious parents in pursuit and the trimmings of tawdry romance.

Gretna had replaced "The Fleet."

And so the English built up Gretna Green as the very marrow of romance for runaway lovers.



But Mr. Renshaw doesn't worry. "My smithy will still be one of the most famous places in the country," he told the "Daily Herald" last night when told of the new Bill.

aways from England. At Lamberton Toll, on the East coast, just across the border from Berwick-on-Tweed, and at Coldstream nearby, the same thing happened for years.

In 1859 Lord Brougham's Act was passed and one party of the marriage was required to have three weeks' residential qualification in Scotland.

The other places went out of business. Only Gretna had the staying power to survive the blow and the sense to turn the Scottish wedding into a racket.

The blacksmith's shop was the idea of a Gretna farmer called Mackie.

The Blacksmith's Shop at that time was certainly occupied by a blacksmith, but he ran the Gretna Estate business.

Mackie bought him out, turned the shop into a museum with a room for marriages.

He filled his "museum" with relics. Twelve of these so-called relics are fakes, and since they were all bought after 1900 nobody thinks much of the rest either.

The Blacksmith's Shop idea comes, it is believed, from a Gretna public house which had an anvil as its sign and at which marriages had taken place formerly.

Mackie made about £1,500 a year performing marriages and selling souvenirs—worth more than £3,000 to-day, remember.

Mackie's successor at The Shop is Richard Renshaw. Before 1927 he had been a saddler in England. Since then, describing himself as "priest" on the so-called marriage certificates, Renshaw, still not a blacksmith, has managed to make as much as £2,000 in one year.

Last year a Scottish Office committee reported against any more Gretna marriages. The new Government Bill flows from this report.

The committee based its case on two main grounds. One was that so much doubt and misery have been subsequently experienced by the foolish young couples in their mistaken "romantic" behaviour.

The other was that though the marriage ceremony itself is legal and binding in Scotland it is not legal unless followed by registration in a proper form. Unless this registration is made it isn't easy to prove or deny the marriage afterwards.

The Gretna anvil marriages are known as marriages *de presenti*. All any couple needs do is to say they will, have two witnesses there to hear them and that's enough.

They need offer no proof of residential qualification. The "blacksmith" asks if they are qualified and is bound to accept no more than their word for it.

If the residential qualification is in fact watertight, the marriage is worthless unless immediately registered at Dumfries Sheriff's Court.

Only one in four Gretna marriages is thus registered. And that's when the trouble starts: when work is found for magistrates, probation officers—and blacksmiths.

Let Gretna Green be what it ought to be to the rest of the world—a name in the time-table.

To-day's Thought
I MUST have the girl first, and ask his consent afterwards.—CHERIDIAN

ACROSS ATLANTIC IN TWELVE HOURS

He Has £500,000 But Does Not Know What To Do With It

"HOW CAN I GIVE HAPPINESS TO PEOPLE?"

By Garry Allighan

A MAN with £500,000 to bequeath has asked me to advise him on the best way of leaving it so that it will "give the most happiness to the largest number who need it most."

This, one of the strangest problems I have ever been set, is outlined in a letter:

"As you know, I am not by any means a poor man and, at the age of 53, with blood pressure and what the doctor discreetly calls a tired heart, I may not be long for this world.

"I want to do the right thing with my money, and wondered if you, with all the worldly wisdom men in your profession acquire, could advise me.

Wants To Make a New Will

"I want the new one to use my money in the way that will give the most happiness.

"As you know, I am a widower and my only son, now 28, has had the best possible education and is firmly set on a career in law which can only avoid being brilliant by his own foolishness.

"Apart from him I have no near relatives except a brother who is head of a big electrical concern in the United States. What do you suggest are the wisest bequests that I can make.

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"My estate will finally realise not less than half a million and, rather late in life, I admit—I have begun to feel the responsibility of possessing wealth. I want to discharge that responsibility by leaving my money wisely apportioned.

"I have no rigid preferences or prejudices, but am considerably ignorant of the opportunities for intelligent philanthropy which must come to a journalist's knowledge. What do you advise?"

"ORDEAL IN ENGLAND"

Sir Philip Gibbs's Book Withdrawn

Sir Philip Gibbs's book, "Ordeal in England," has been recalled by the publishers, although it has been on sale for nine months.

Even in New Zealand booksellers have been asked to return their copies to England, though many have already been sold.

The publishers, William Heinemann, Ltd., stated: "That book has been withdrawn because the author wishes to make certain changes in one chapter. It will be reissued at a later date.

"Withdrawals of this kind are an everyday occurrence in publishing, and no importance should be attached to them."

[In "Ordeal in England" Sir Philip Gibbs quoted the opinions of people he had met on the problems of the day and built up a picture of the mind of contemporary Britain. It began with the death of George V. and ended with the Coronation.]

American Aviator Still Held

Rigid Examination By Japanese Police

Tokyo, Apr. 25. Asked to-day the legal grounds on which Mr. Melville Gibson, the American aviator, has been arrested, a Foreign Office spokesman declined to make a statement. The matter was sub judice, he said, and had nothing to do with the Foreign Office.

Press reports suggest that Mr. Gibson may be detained indefinitely and possibly charged with "embarrassing public safety," under which the maximum punishment is execution or life imprisonment.

Two American Consular officials were permitted to see Mr. Gibson in the prison cell yesterday afternoon. The Police have dropped their original mask of cordiality and are now carrying on a rigid examination of the prisoner.

Mr. Melville Gibson, 27-year-old American, was detained by the Police on April 22 on arrival in Yokohama aboard the Empress of Asia on which he was a through passenger to Vancouver.—Reuter.

Statesman Passes

Prague, Apr. 25. The death is announced of the former Czechoslovak Premier, M. Franz Udrásl, at the age of 72. He was the first Minister of National Defence after the creation of the new Czechoslovak State in 1918. He held this post for several years. In 1929 he succeeded to the Premiership and held office for three years, resigning after the Parliamentary elections in October 1932.—Trans-Ocean.

EMPIRE NEWS

FRUIT PRICES IN SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town.

Mr. Du Toit, a prominent member of the United Party and a Member of Parliament, to-day drew the attention of the Government to the plight of the South African fruit industry which, he said, was facing disaster.

In the last citrus season the Union exported 4,000,000 cases of oranges, Mr. Du Toit said, and these were sold at an average price of 11s. 4d. per case, whereas the production and marketing in the United Kingdom of that fruit cost growers not less than 12s. 3d. per case. The citrus industry was facing very strong competition from the Argentine in the British market.

The Ottawa agreements had been of no use to South African fruit exporters, continued Mr. Du Toit, and he suggested that the British Government could help by imposing a quota on foreign fruit.

A Publicity Drive—A suggestion is made in the Press to-day by influential producers that the Union Government should subsidise a publicity drive, both within the Union and overseas, for the marketing of South African agricultural produce. The scheme proposed would cost £500,000.

NEW ZEALAND

BIG EXODUS TO BRITAIN

Auckland. Five thousand New Zealanders are going abroad this season, and the majority of them will be visiting Britain. This total equals that of the 1937 Coronation exodus.

The travellers are spending £600,000 on fares, and the average stay abroad is six months. Passages are fully booked from January to May, and agents are bewailing the insufficiency of the sailings.

It is suggested that further facilities for passengers, in the way of up-to-date vessels, should be provided.

Totalsator Revenue.—The tax on totalsator betting resulted in the New Zealand Government netting a sum of £38,829 from the Auckland four-day mid-summer meeting and the Auckland Trotting Club three-day meeting.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA

TRIBUTE TO LORD GOWRIE

Canberra. The Governor-General, Lord Gowrie, was the guest at a Government luncheon to-day. He leaves, with Lady Gowrie, on March 22 for a holiday in England.

Lord Gowrie stated that he believed that it was necessary to get in intimate touch with the outlook at home to enable him better to perform his work in Australia. Mr. Lyons, the Prime Minister, said that Lord and Lady Gowrie had become good Australians and had endeared themselves to the people throughout the Commonwealth.—Reuter.

INDIA

FRONTIER TRIBE WARNED

New Delhi.

A serious warning has been addressed by the Government of India to the Madia Khel tribe against harbouring the Fakir of Ipi, the notorious trouble maker on the North-West Frontier, whose activities have necessitated recent British operations.

A fully representative Jirga-council of the tribe was told that action would be taken against those responsible for harbouring the Fakir as punishment for their failure to obey previous orders.—Reuter.



BEAUTY—Among 250 girl contestants, Miss Imgard Dietel was chosen "Miss Florida of 1938" at the sixth annual Miami Beach Beauty Contest at Coral Gables, Fla. The 17-year-old beauty was born in Germany. More than 6,000 vacationists watched.

MORE SHIPS FOR ITALY

DECISION AGAINST AIRCRAFT CARRIERS

Rome.

Adml. Cavagnari, Under-Secretary for the Navy, to-day presented the Naval Estimates for the financial year which opens on July 1. He stated that they totalled £221,000,000 with an increase of £1,500,000 on those of the current year.

Thanks to the Duce, Italy would have approximately 700,000 tons of warships by 1941. The oldest would not have seen as much as 12 years' service.

Tonnage would be distributed as follows: Battleships, 240,000; cruisers, 100,000; lighter units, 100,000.

The considerable increase in battleship tonnage would greatly reinforce Italy's naval power. Further additions might yet be made between now and 1941.

SUBMARINE FLEET

Although Italy possessed the largest submarine fleet in the world she had not yet reached full capacity in this respect. Experience had enabled her to build submarines more quickly than other Powers. The reserve of personnel was ample. The Italian navy would be in a position to defend itself against the strongest aggressor.

Adml. Cavagnari revealed that the Duce had decided not to build aircraft carriers with landing decks. Signor Mussolini was right once more, he said. The rapidity of technical progress in aircraft complicated the problem of landing decks and the efficiency of aircraft generally.

Italy's dockyard capacity was such that she could carry out her own programme and build ships for foreign States as well.

The Estimates were passed amid scenes of enthusiasm.

Young Canton Man Stabbed

Chau Man's first introduction to Hongkong proved a painful one. He arrived here from Canton by express train at midnight last night and within four hours was in Kowloon Hospital, with serious throat wounds inflicted with a pair of scissor blades.

Immediately after arriving in the Colony, Chau, aged 19, went to a tenement in Fai Yuen Street, Mongkok, where he is stated to have become involved in a quarrel with one of the residents.

When Chau departed he is alleged to have been followed by a man. A fight ensued, and a pair of scissor blades were produced by Chau's assailant. Police, who have been given an accurate description of the man, expect to make an early arrest.

SUPER FLYING BOATS PLANNED

By Brydon Taves

United Press Staff Correspondent

New York.

THE vision of giant passenger airliners capable of spanning the Atlantic Ocean in half-a-day is no longer a dream of the future.

Designs for a transoceanic "super-clipper" so efficient that it is almost inconceivable even in terms of the relatively modern flying boats now cruising the Pacific, have just been completed by Seversky Aircraft Corporation engineers and submitted in competition with other designs to Pan American Airways.

If selected, the new sky-liners will be used to realise the long-awaited trans-Atlantic air service between Europe and the United States.

The Seversky "super-clipper" has been designed to carry a payload of 43,000 pounds, or over 20 tons, with a cruising range of 5,000 miles at a minimum cruising speed of 250 miles an hour and a top speed of over 300 miles an hour.

In other words, the giant flying-boats would be able to carry 120 passengers and cargo a distance equal to that from London to Delhi, India, or New York to Rio de Janeiro, without a stop. It could transport passengers from New York to England in a little over 12 hours.

Duplicating the United States government's plans for the construction of three ocean liners which could be quickly converted into aircraft carriers in time of war, the designs for the "super-clipper" provide for their transformation into bombing planes on short notice, when they theoretically would be capable of transporting a load of ten, 2,000-pound bombs from London to Australia in less than two days.

USE IN WARTIME

In wartime the projected airliners would be able to carry a fair-sized torpedo-boat slung under the central control cabin. This would effect a lively answer to criticism levelled at the "super-clipper" in general because of their inability to enforce a blockade by stopping and searching vessels. The radical construction of the flying-boats would permit them to alight even in rough sea.

Designs for the "super-clippers" are different from anything heretofore projected in aircraft construction. In fact, the ships would consist of an enormous "flying-wing" of 250-foot span, attached to which are two large fuselages or "out-riggers" which house retractable landing pontoons and support the tail surfaces.

STATEROOMS IN WINGS

Passengers' staterooms with private toilet facilities, promenade deck, dining room, smoking room, bar and other quarters would be installed in the wings and upper part of the fuselages.

The pontoons which, when retracted in flight, actually would form the lower surface of the two hulls, would store cargo and fuel. Special safety devices, including the super-charging of the engine interior of the flying-boats to maintain an air-pressure equivalent to that at 8,000 feet when the airplane is flying at 20,000, would eliminate discomfort and the possibility of fire and ignition troubles. Seversky officials said.

Eight engines, each rated at 2,000 horsepower but developing a total of 16,000 horsepower for take-off, would power the planes, according to the design.

Each engine would be completely housed in large nacelles which could accommodate two mechanics, so that servicing and repairs can be efficiently carried on while in flight. There would be two propellers forward and a central one aft of the control cabin, each powered by two engines, and along the trailing edge of the wing two more power plants, each equipped with a single engine.

CREW OF SIXTEEN

A crew of sixteen would be required to man the "super-clippers," according to specifications furnished Pan American Airways.

The pilot and his immediate assistant would be housed in a central control "bridge" forward and above the wing.

The "super-clipper," according to the specifications, would be constructed of shot-welded stainless steel, impervious to corrosion, and with excellent properties of strength, rigidity and proof against fire.

Completion of designs for the ship culminates 22 years of engineering and flying research and experience in the construction of all-metal, high-speed, planes by the Seversky organization.—United Press.

RADIO BROADCAST

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Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s., 952 m.c.s. per second.

H.K.T. 12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30. Excerpts from "Gilbert & Sullivan."

"Trial By Jury": For These Kind Words; When I Good Friends; Swear Thou The Hury; Arthur Hosking—George Baker—Derek Oldham—Leo Sheffield and Male Chorus; Leo Sheffield and Male Chorus; "Where Is The Plaintiff?"; Arthur Hosking—George Baker—Winifred Lawson and Chorus of Bridgemaids; The Yeomen Of The Guard; Nellie I Waver To And Fro; Peter Briercliffe, Walter Glynn, Derek Dawson; Is Life A Boon?; Oldham; Here's A Man Of Jolly; Chorus; I Have A Song To Sing Of Chorus; Winifred Lawson, George Baker and Chorus.

12.45. Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

Oriental Dance—Novelty Duet (C. White); Carlsbad Doll Dance (C. Pieter); Dancer Of Seville (C. Grunow); The Two Imps (K. J. Alford).

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Variety Programme.

Vocal—"Me And My Girl"—Selection... Teddie St. Denis, Lupino Lane, Wallace Lupino and Chorus with Orchestra; Piano Solo—Quick-sands—Slow Fox-Trot; Bob White—Quickstep... Gerry Moore (Piano) with Strings; Bass & Drums; Piano Solo—Is A Long, Long Way To Your Heart; Once In A While... Leslie Hutchinson (Piano); Accordion Band—Little Anne—Waltz; Who Cares?—Intermezzo... Jungherr's Accordion Melodians; Tango... Crueseta Tipica Francisco Canaro with vocal refrain.

1.35. Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Rotary Tiffin Speech relayed from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Speaker: Professor R. Robertson, M.A. Subject: "Managed Money."

2.15 Close Down.

6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Mozart—Concerto No. 3 in G Major, K. 216.

Played by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and The Paris Symphony Orchestra conducted by George Enesco.

7.28 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.30 Russian Orchestral Music.

"Princ Igor"—Overture (Borodin) ... Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Albert Coates; Prelude Slav; From Sunrise To Sunset; Beautiful Moon; Along Petrograd Road; Bake No Bread; Sleep My Baby; Moscow; Ballet from "Konik Gorbunok"; Russian Vagabonds; Theodore Katz; Director Salon Orch.; Russian Pol-pourri (Mchailowsky); Russian Balalaika Orchestra.

7.45 Studio—"Russian Lyrics" Recital by Mrs. R. Sanger (Soprano), accompanied by Mr. Gerald Sydney.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Barcarolle ("Tales Of Hoffmann")—Offenbach; Intermezzo (Coleridge-Taylor); Prelude (Haydn Wood); Turkey In The Straw (Gulon); Handel In The Strand (Grainger); Mock Morris Dances (Grainger); A Life On The Ocean (Nautical Selection—Blinding).

8.30 London Relay—"Escape"—2. First-hand accounts by prisoners of War—What a Skeleton Key Will Do. A talk by Lt.-Col. M. C. C. Harrison.

9.0 Studio—Lalo Concerto—Ettore Pellegatti (Cello) and Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).

9.30 London Relay—"The News."

9.50 Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

"The Yeomen Of The Guard" (Sullivan); "The Sorcerer"—Selection (Sullivan); "Trial By Jury"—Selection (Sullivan).

10.07 Les Allen (Baritone) and Debroy Somers Band.

Northern And Southern Memories; Savoy Russian Memories; Savoy Southern Memories; Debroy Somers Band; When Did You Leave Heaven (From "Sing, Baby Sing"); I'll Sing You A Thousand Love Songs (From "Cain And Mabel")... Les Allen; Ballroom Memories (No. 1 Waltzes)... Debroy Somers Band.

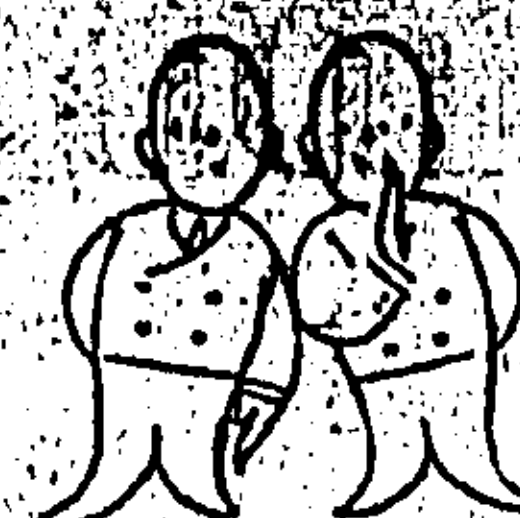
10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Goodnight To You All; No More You... Jack Harris And His Orch. with vocal refrain; Tangos—Fortuna; Fireflowers... Robert Renard Dance Orch.; Fox-Trots—Can I Forget You (From "High, Wide & Handsome"); The Folks Who Live On The Hill (From "High, Wide & Handsome")... Roy Fox And His Orchestra, with vocal refrain; Stop! You're Breaking My Heart (From Artists & Models); Whispers In The Dark (From Artists & Models).... Roy Fox And His Orchestra with vocal refrain; That Old Feeling (From "Voices Of 1938"); Waltz—Symphony (From "Firefly")... Jay Wilbur And His Band with vocal chorus by Sam Costa.

11.0 Close Down.

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MIDDLESEX CRICKETERS HAD SUCCESSFUL SEASON

WON 17 GAMES OUT OF TOTAL OF NINETEEN

SOME PLAYERS MAY BE WORTH THEIR PLACES IN INTERPORT SIDE

(By "E. Abble")

The figures of the regimental team of the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt. reached me a few days ago and I am much obliged for them. For some years in Hongkong I have found that in many Regiments cricket has somewhat gone to the wall, owing chiefly I imagine to the attractions of Association Football which is played unfortunately at the same time of year. There have been exceptions however, and the Kosbies, the East Lancshires, the Seaforths and the Middlesex have all taken much interest in the game.

For a regimental side they have a surprisingly long list of fixtures and have won 17 games against one lost and one drawn if the tally of the games is correct. The list of players of them showed 10 wins of 10 played. The standard is somewhat hard to judge as I have no means of knowing what teams were fielded by the opposition but on the whole I cannot estimate it as above Junior Division form. True, they beat Craigengower but I am under the impression that the half-shield-holders (if I may so term them) were by no means at full strength.

However, this is all beside the point—the fact that people or regiments are really keen on cricket is the great thing. As a matter of fact the side will have to be considered in several places—if I may use the phrase—supposing that events enable Shanghai to send us a team next year, or that we send one up there. I think there has been in most Hongkong sides at least one military representative—often several. From the Middlesex alone there may be more than one chosen. C. M. M. Man is to my mind almost a certainty for the post of stumper. There may be better wicket-keepers; there certainly are better bats. But there is no one who has such a combined level of usefulness. Then again, in the bowling where we are short so often, Pte. Hatfield struck me last season as the most useful of stock bowlers in the Colony. With a handy run and an easy delivery—so like that of dozens of professional cricketers—he can bowl a length for over an hour on end. He may not be brilliant but he is sound, and with a little extra coaching could very well serve a team as their stock bowler to hold an end down cheaply and to produce the occasional wicket.

OUTSTANDING BATSMEN

As batsmen there are no less than three players who would most certainly be tried in Trial games. There are probably more but I refer to the three whom I have seen playing for the Army where they have had to meet better bowling than in Regimental matches. M. P. Weadon should stand a very good chance if he could curb a tendency to lift the ball too early in his innings. I am not so sure about the chances of J. G. Chilverall and L. C. Beadnell. Like the small girl, "when they are good they are very good and—!" But they are sometimes horrid. All the same a second season when used to the light and the wickets out here may show us an entirely different picture. My readers may ask me if I have forgotten Pte. Coombes—I have not, but I doubt if he would be successful against the better bats. I think Donald Leach or Stokes would

rather enjoy him—but I have no doubt he will get a trial.

AN INTERPORT!

I find on enquiry that, as I supposed, no steps have been taken yet with reference to an Interport match in November. It is Shanghai's turn to come here, and I imagine it would not be an unpleasant change for their team to enjoy the blessings of peace—though complicated at times by a kicking wicket!—instead of the rather strained existence which one imagines is their portion at present. I, for one, sincerely hope that the game can be arranged.

OBITUARY

As I promised in my last week's article I am putting up a few notes on the names of those cricketers who died during 1937. I hardly remember a list which contains so many well-known names. The first of them is that of G. W. Belam. He played for Middlesex for nearly ten years, and on occasion for the Gentlemen. I saw him bat once or twice and my—very vague—recollection is that he was somewhat cramped in his style. He is, however, better known to the present generation of cricketers for his photographic work which was published in a book entitled "Great Batsmen" in which C. B. Fry wrote the descriptive letter-press for the photographs.

Another cricketer to pass over, whom I often saw in action, is Walter Grearley. He was shortish, of very powerful build and sent down a tremendously fast ball with a run of only a few paces. He got his speed entirely with body-swing. He was one of the great fast bowlers of the early years of this century. Another of them, C. P. Buckenham the Essex professional, has also passed away. He was a brilliant bowler with a fluid sort of run and a graceful and easy delivery. I shall never forget seeing Gilbert Jessop at Lord's once, walking down the pitch to him occasionally and then bending back from the hips and cutting the fastest balls off his middle stump to the boundary. J. B. Challen has died also. His name is not so widely known but it is one to conjure with in Somerset and Devon. He was for many years a school-master and I think once Head of West Buckland School, near Filleigh, though I may be mistaken in this. Another great West Country player, George Dennett has died. He bowled for over twenty years for Gloucester, and after fighting through the South African War, fought through the Great War, and retired as a Captain.

But I perceive that my space will not allow me to deal adequately with my subject and I must complete this article on Tuesday next.



VILLAGE BAND PLAYS 'BATTLESHIP' HOME.—All the village turned out to welcome Battleship, the Grand National winner, on his return in his training quarters, Lambourn, Berkshire, while Bruce Hobbs, his jockey, also had a great reception.

Tennis Replay Fixed For To-Morrow

Weather permitting, the replay in the semi-finals of the Colony Tennis Singles Championship between Tsui Yun-pui and H. D. Rumjahn (holder) will be decided on the stand court of the Hongkong Cricket Club to-morrow. It is hoped to commence the match as soon after 4 p.m. as possible. The contestants have already met twice before, but each time no decision could be reached.

Fight Crowd Angry And Referee Had To Explain

Former Hongkong Boxer Involved

London, Mar. 31. Mr. Jack Smith, the Manchester referee, lectured the crowd at Hull last night when they roared disapproval because the seconds in the corner of Seaman Rowles (London) threw in the towel at the end of the fourth round of his contest with Darkie Ellis (Bridlington).

"It is no part of my job," he said, "to make a speech, and I don't make a practice of it, but I am quite satisfied that Rowles cannot go on. Both his eyes are badly cut and he cannot even see out of the left one. I have no complaint at all."

Rowles had suffered heavy punishment and his face was covered with blood. He was down for four too before the towel was thrown in.

(Rowles was a well-known figure in the local ring some years ago).

Battleship Forces His Head Ahead And Wins Aintree Grand National

By The Scout (Cyril Luckman)

Aintree, Mar. 25. A little American racehorse named Battleship, who was thought too small for the Aintree ordeal, won the Grand National by a head for his seventeen-year-old rider Bruce Hobbs.

And he achieved this despite blundering and losing three lengths a few fences from home.

Be with me and see the picture from the last fence.

Over three lengths in front of his only rival comes the hope of Ireland—Royal Danelli. Battleship is challenging boldly.

But "enemy No. 1" to both is the riderless Frenchman Takvo Pacha, who is leading them.

He veers first towards Royal Danelli, whose rider, Moore, gets anxious. Then the Pacha switches over a bit and seems likely to trouble Battleship.

Young Hobbs has a man's head on his rapidly broadening shoulders. He pulls slightly aside without checking and on goes Battleship, making up ground all the time.

Can he do it? They're surely level now. "Royal Danelli" goes up in chorus from the thousands of Irishmen.

They're past the post—both riders turn speculatively towards each other. We wait.

Opinions are equally divided on this difficult-angled course, but I feel it is Battleship. Then numbers of "5-6-25" go into the frame.

A deluge, and then the verdict, "Head and bad."

Another Irish horse, Workman, was the "bad." Then came last year's runner-up, Coolcen, my hope Delachance (who had also blundered, outpaced Red Knight II, and Blue Shirt (co-favourite with Coolcen).

Only grey, Hopful Hero, Under Bid, Bachelor Prince, Lough Cottage, Provocative and Drim also got the course. An exceptional number of thirteen—but it was a firm ground National.

Chasing Double

I still chuckle when I think that but for Mrs. Marion Scott's decision to let her horse attempt to win the English as well as the American National Battleship would have now been on his way to his owner's American stud!

Battleship's American National was over only three miles at Belmont Park.

"I know what a good game little chap he is," trainer Reg Hobbs had said to me, "but I somehow feel like it's asking him to chew off a bit too much. He only stands 15.2 and, after all, he's already been to the stud and got foals."

Once, however, Hobbs had been given his orders he saw to it that Battleship would be fit for the biggest test of his career. Really, Reggie is even more a marvel than son Bruce.

And if Flying Minutes had not crooked himself recently, Bruce would have ridden him in another American's colours.

I've seen many types of winning owners, but never before one like Mrs. Marion Scott.

A silent woman, sat on a shooting stick some distance away from the unsaddling enclosure while Aintree

hordes—who did not know who she was—were shouting themselves hoarse.

Hobbs seemed as puzzled as all of us, and Bruce told me later, as he came out fresh from the weighing-room, "I've never even SEEN Mrs. Scott."

With her American trainer and a few friends she sat immobile, and barely smiled when asked to "Exhibit Joy." I do not think she failed to feel it, but the great occasion had engulfed this frail-looking, dark-faced woman.

She left for London immediately, missing to-night's usual celebration. But I did get from her that "Battleship has won races from four furlongs to four and a half miles!"

She will not now send Battleship home, but let Hobbs keep him—perhaps for another National.

Broke Blood Vessel

"How few can win the National twice! Royal Mail broke a blood vessel this time, and Evan Williams had to pull him up. "I think he did it when he straddled the chair fence before the water. He was never going at all well after that," said he.

Mrs. Evans, Royal Mail's new owner, had braved the cold wind, and, though feeling weak, insisted on coming to see her 6,500 guinea purchase.

Take dazzling Airgead Sios next. Away in front he went, and seemed to be jumping beautifully. Suddenly we saw him topple over at the fence past Valentine's the first time round.

This was also the undoing of Stalbridge Park, but it was brought about mainly by Red Knight II, jumping the fence a bit across him.

Something had also jumped a bit in front of Dominick's Cross when he made his exit at the second jump. Few casualties so far, however, though Invisible was down at the first and Ponet had to be pulled up. Brighter Cottage went at the fourth fence.

Hit Becher's Hard

Next notable event was the upset of Takvor Pacha, who hit the top of Becher's hard. Kalliey wobbled, tried to keep his seat, but touched "Mother Aintree" for the first time.

Naturally there were other spills before twenty survivors came to the water at the end of the first circuit.

Delachance had moved up ahead of Royal Danelli, Red Knight II, Rockquilla and Lough Cottage, with Dunhill Castle and Battleship heading the others.

As they turned to go back into the country, once more one horse lay dead over the water—Canadian Invader Red Lad, who had collapsed with heart failure.

Ever-prominent, Royal Danelli, one-paced Red Knight II, Delachance, natty Battleship, Workman and Rockquilla—all still doing their work so ably.

Dunhill Castle was beaten, Nicholson thought, when he fell at Becher's

Home Football

MILLWALL TAKE LEAD IN THIRD DIVISION

Changes Seen In Southern Section

London, Apr. 25. Millwall took the lead in the southern section of the Third Division in the English Football League to-day following their victory at home over Bournemouth by four goals to nil.

Millwall now lead Queen's Park Rangers and Watford by one point, each team having played 40 matches. In the northern section, the leaders, Tranmere and Doncaster were not engaged, but Hull took advantage of this to improve their position by beating York City.

East Fife, the Scottish Cup finalists, were beaten to-day in the Second Division to East Stirling by the odd goal in three.

Scores of to-day's matches were:

SECOND DIVISION

Chesterfield 2 Newcastle 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Millwall 4 Bournemouth 0

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading positions:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Millwall	40	21	10	9	78	30	62
Queen's P.R.	40	21	9	10	74	43	51
Watford	40	20	11	9	70	41	51
Bristol C.	38	18	12	8	60	36	48
Brighton	39	20	8	11	60	40	48

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow	0	Accrington	0
Bradford C.	1	Gateshead	1
Hull	2	Lincoln	0
Oldham	3	York	1
Wrexham	0	New Brighton	1
	0	Carlisle	0

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading positions:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tranmere	39	21	9	8	78	40	51
Hull	39	19	12	8	69	39	50
Doncaster	39	20	10	9	70	40	49
Oldham	39	18	13	8	64	43	49

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (SECOND DIVISION)

East Stirling	2	East Fife	1
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—Reuter.

Pennink Gets Through First Round

English Amateur Golf Championship

London, Apr. 25. The first round of the English Amateur Golf Championship was played at Moortown, Leeds, to-day.

Pennink, the holder, beat Greenhalgh of Turton by 5 and 3. The first surprise of the tournament was the defeat of Stanley Lunt of Mosley, the 1934 winner, by Haslam of Moortown by one up.

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CHEL TENHAM NEWS REEL: Pictures by E. G. MALINDINE with commentary by A. B. AUSTIN at the first day of the National Hunt Meeting at Cheltenham.



DRIVER of the racing special, R. H. Gale, of Swindon, shouts "Good Luck" at Cheltenham racecourse station. "Lovely day this time," he grins. "Last year it was a wash-out. I've been engine-driving for 18 years and I've never had time to get off at Cheltenham yet. And I enjoy a fine day at the races as much as anybody."

FORTY years farther at Cheltenham racecourse. Every racing man knows R. J. Isaac, of Goswell Ford. "I plated the first winner for the National Hunt Chase. That's going back a long time. Timothy Titus, he was. We had only a little hut here then."

"YOUNG FLINTY" has his legs bandaged. He ran in the National Hunt Handicap. "Been very unlucky," grumbles his stud groom, E. Hopkins, "but he'll run a good race one day if he stands up." A stud groom of 25 years' experience should know.

NOT everybody comes to bet. J. White, aircraft fitter of Suffolk-street, Gloucester, can't afford to. He's out of work. "I've been ill, but I'm getting better now so I thought I'd just come here for a few hours of sunshine. Better than medicine to me."

"JELLIED cels are grand. Lovely food. Best you can eat." Now we're through the gates. Here is A. Witchalls, cell-seller of Lea Bridge-road, Clapton. He can hardly stop to talk there's such a run on cels though it's not one o'clock yet. "You'll find me at all the South Country meetings. They're my best business. Never miss one."



WHICH shall it be? Miss E. Cake, Gloucester business girl, has only a few minutes to decide. She fancies Music Hall for the 1.30, but she has time to change her mind. "What does it matter? I'm here for a day's enjoyment."

NEARER and nearer to the first race. L. Southall, tie-tac man of Birmingham, is furiously busy. "Muttering out of the corner of his mouth, 'Yes, I've had 25 years of tie-tac. When I do this it means number one in the next race to lay at 5 to 1 to lose £200.'"

FIFTEEN minutes before the first race. Let "The Original Dick Swan" help you to make up your mind. "I'm one of the best known bookies on the course," he boasts. "Had 51 years of it and feel it a bit hard now. But I did manage to get on to the Birmingham City Corporation in my spare time. I was Councillor W. B. Bolland."

"THEY'RE off." And Mrs. Nellie Miller, course barmaid, can watch them as she works. They call her Mrs. "Golden" Miller here. "I'm backing Golden Miller again this year," she says. "I've seen him win five years in succession."

FOR peripatetic punters. They call them Perambulators Payers and the Racecourse Betting Control Board are trying them out for the first time at a big race meeting. "Seems to be working well judging by the number of people I've paid," says this one, S. Robson. He carries £50 and, if you've been lucky you just hand him your Tote slip.



BUSY on his 'phone, booking up the Tote in the Paddock, is P. Mumford, London man. He is on the staff of the Racecourse Betting Control Board, and has been at almost every meeting since Totallator betting began.

G. WILSON, left, Killot's jockey, wasn't lucky in the first race. One-time rider of Golden Miller, he's sparing a moment to consider his card just inside the saddling enclosure.

HORSE packkeeper, W. Parker, watches for the horses to return to the paddock after the race. Part of his job is to induce the strays to return to the paddock before the field thunders past again. Lives at Presbury, Gloucester, and began working as a jockeyman on the course seven years ago.



OUR HOPE, winner of the Champion Hurdle Challenge Cup, leaves the course after the day's most popular and exciting race. Free Pats, the favorite, led. Our Hope and the rest of the field pushed and riddled in the sun as they galloped with the blue sky and the high ridge of the Cotswolds above them.

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Y. KANO, Manager.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1938.



S. O. S.

Leung Sai Tor, aged 11, is deaf and dumb. He came up before the magistrate for being without visible means of subsistence. What means could he have until he is taught a trade and taught how to understand and make others understand him? So we are putting him into the Deaf and Dumb School. Is there anyone who would maintain this little outcast? It only costs \$7 per month.
HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN
Room 208, Bank of East Asia Building.
Agent,
Hongkong, 25th April, 1938.

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CORFU	14,500	4th May.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	6,000	21st May.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don.
CHITRAL	10,000	28th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	14,500	11th June.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don.
*BURDWAN	6,000	18th June.	Hull, H'br, R'dam & A'werp.
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SHIRAHANA	8,000	13th May	Shanghai & Japan.
*BURDWAN	6,000	13th May	Shanghai & Japan.
RANCHI	17,000	20th May	Amoy & Japan.
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BIG TASK FOR HERR BUERCKEL

Year To Accomplish Re-Organisation Of Austria

Berlin, April 25. Herr Josef Buerckel, former Reich Commissioner for the Saar, has been appointed Reich Commissioner for Austria's union with Germany by a decree issued by Herr Adolf Hitler. Herr Buerckel's task will be to accomplish within one year the political organisation of Austria, as well as its economic and cultural union with the Reich.

Herr Hitler informed Dr. Seyss-Inquart that after the introduction of German legislation in Austria, he will be made a member of the Reich Cabinet for Austrian affairs.—Reuter Special.

No Quick Way To Peace

But Education Can Be Of Assistance

London, April 25. Mr. Kenneth Lindsay, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education, speaking in London to-day at the International Conference of Teachers, convened by the League of Nations Union, said the acquisition of knowledge and development of the mind were excellent things, but they would not guarantee that human beings would live at peace with their neighbours, nor did they necessarily imply tolerance or truthful dealings between peoples.

The making and keeping of peace in the long run was dependent on the sentiments of knowledge, and the behaviour of ordinary men and women. The forging of good international relations was not the prerogative of foreign offices or embassies. There was no quick and no quick way to goodwill. Fellowship was the reality and peace arrived almost unawares as a by-product.—British Wireless.

Wars Cause Slump In Sugar Sales

London, Apr. 25. It is reported that the effects of war in China and Spain on the world sugar market will influence the discussions at Wednesday's meeting of the International Sugar Council, which will be attended by the representatives of 21 governments.

It is estimated that the Oriental conflict has reduced the Oriental market to 200,000 metric tons, while the Spanish war has reduced the European market by approximately 30,000 metric tons of sugar.—United Press.

Henlein's Words Worry France

Paris, Apr. 25. The demands made by Herr Konrad Henlein, leader of the Sudeten Deutsche Party in Czechoslovakia, have caused anxiety to the Paris press, many newspapers expressing the fear that Germany might support the demands with a show of force.—Reuter Bulletin.

Need Chinese For A.R.P. Instruction

Apparently with a view to bringing home to the Chinese the dangers of attacks from the air, the Air Raid Precautions Department of the Hong Kong Government is inviting applications for a vacancy for a Chinese Anti-Gas Instructor.

The Government is advertising for applications, which should be addressed to the Air Raid Precautions Officer, in care of the Colonial Secretariat, and accompanied by full particulars of qualifications and copies of testimonials.

Applicants should not be over 35 years of age, should be educated up to Matriculation standard, and possess a good knowledge of English and the ability to impart technical instructions in Chinese.

BOYCOTT OF JEWS CONTINUES

Students Driven From University

Vienna, April 26. The Storm Troops who were posted outside Jewish shops in the centre of Vienna have now been withdrawn, but the boycott of the many Jewish cafes continues. Only non-Aryans are allowed to enter.

Storm Troops have entered Vienna University and forced all Jewish students to leave.

A decree is announced limiting the percentage of Jewish students in Austrian universities to two.

To-day the schilling officially ceases to be the currency of Austria.—Reuter.

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Hore-Belisha Ends Big Tour Of Inspection

London, Apr. 25. Mr. Leslie Hore Belisha, Minister for War, arrived in London from Paris this morning. He is reporting to the Cabinet on his tour of inspection of the defences of Malta, his recent visit to Rome, and his conversations with the Premier and Chief of Staff in France.—Reuter Bulletin.

JAPANESE GIFT TO CHINESE CLUB

Peking, Apr. 26. The Yung Pao reports that the Japanese naval and foreign ministries have jointly sent a gift of 200,000 yuan for a club for returned students from Japan.

The newspaper says the grant is made in view of the club's mission for improving Sino-Japanese relations.—United Press.

High Soviet Official Also Seized

Moscow, Apr. 25. The chief of the East Construction Department of the Mercantile Commissariat of the Soviet Union, has been arrested and charged with systematic sabotage of ship construction in various building yards.

ROBBERY HEARING MAY 6

Hearing the case in which Wong Mui, 46, is charged with complicity in an armed robbery upon an aged vegetable gardener in Ngau Tau Kok, on May 6 by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court. Wong, together with another man not in custody, is alleged to have robbed the gardener, Li Kwai, of \$30 while armed with scissor blades.

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